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INTRODUCTION

This book has been compiled and assembled by the author with the thought in mind that each member of the families mentioned herein might be benefitted by having a greater knowledge of their ancestors and their living relatives.

Often, through lack of contact, relatives become mere acquaintances and sometimes, even, strangers. And if, by reading these pages, present and future generations be more closely bound together in family pride and esteem, we shall feel that our effort has not been in vain.

A few dates may be in error and names misspelled in some cases but we have tried to include both names and dates according to information obtained from different members of the various families.

We hope that future generations will search for more information concerning the genealogy of these families and add to this.

Benjamin Franklin Wilson.

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BENJAMIN F. WILSON.

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF MY MOTHER,
MANDILLA WILSON

CHAPTER I

THE MITTONG FAMILIES AND CONNECTIONS

The Mittong families who hold their reunions annually at Beegum grove, two miles west of Mannington, Marion county, West Virginia, are of German ancestry. These reunions are held in memory of Jacob M. Mittong who was born September 1, 1821, and died October 27, 1897.

He was married three times: first, to Louisa Clark, by the Rev. P. Willson, on October 19, 1844, at Cumberland, Md. She was born January 17, 1829, and died March 30, 1861.

For his second wife he married Mary Glover on April 20, 1862. She was born April 12, 1825, and died June 1, 1883.

For his third wife he married Mrs. Amelia Ann Morgan who was born (?), and died (?).

To the first union were born the following children:

Mary Louise, Nov. 23, 1845, died Sept. 18, 1920;
Sarah Ann, Oct. 31, 1849, died July 11, 1850;
Emily Jane, Oct. 7, 1851, died March 18, 1854;
Charles Wesley, Oct. 27, 1852, died Sept. 23, 1856;
Mandilla, Sept. 23, 1854, died Aug. 6, 1924;
Ellen Frances, Feb. 5, 1857, died Oct. 29, 1860; and
Henry Harrison, March 7, 1861.

Mary Louise and Sarah Ann were born in Cumberland, Md. Sarah Ann died in Mannington, W. Va. Sarah Ann, Emily Jane, Ellen Frances, and Chas. Wesley are buried in the Mannington cemetery beside their mother. Mandilla is buried in the Beegum cemetery.

Jacob Mittong issue with second wife, one child—Elizabeth, born July 12, 1863.

Henry Mittong, eldest brother of Jacob M., was born February 1, 1818, and died October 22, 1881. He was married on October 28, 1841, to Martha Elizabeth Williams. She was born May 3, 1821, and died March 1, 1899. They lived for a short time after their marriage, in Bedford county, Pennsylvania. They were parents of the following children:

John William, born Aug. 1, 1843, died Nov. 13, 1923;
Jacob, born Oct. 30, 1845, died 1912;
Mary Catherine, born Jan. 10, 1848;
William Henry, born Dec. 25, 1849, died Aug. 1, 1921;
Geo. Wesley Giesey, born May 1, 1853;
Jos. Franklin Pierce, born July 8, 1855, died Sept. 11, 1865;
Ella Zuma, born Aug. 11, 1858;

Sarah E., born Dec. 25, 1861, died March 1, 1879; and Emily L., born March 1, 1865, died Feb. 8, 1888.

John William was born in Bedford county, Pa. He is buried beside his wife in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Jacob is also buried in Oklahoma.

Mary Catherine, in this year of grace—1926, is living in Harrisonville, Missouri.

William Henry is buried in Kansas.

George Wesley Giesey was born in Berlin, Somerset county, Pa., and is living, at this time—1926, in Holden, Missouri.

Joseph Franklin Pierce is buried in West Virginia.

Ella Zuma is living, at this time—1926, near Marion. Ind.

Sarah E. who was burned to death is buried in Indiana. Emily L. is buried in Kansas.

John William, the eldest of this family, was married on November 15, 1865, to Mary Jane Huzzard by the Rev. A. R. Miller. She was born July 18, 1843, near Bloody run, Pa., and died November 24, 1917.

Mary Catherine Mittong was born in Berlin, Somerset county, Pa. She married Commodore Benton Reece. He was born May 8, 1838, in Johnson county, Mo., and died June 4, 1915. Following are the children of John William and Mary Jane (nee Huzzard) Mittong:

Ada May, born Dec. 4, 1866, died June 24, 1887;

Minnie Maud, born March 27, 1868;

Mary, born June 1, 1870, died June 3, 1870;

Benjamin Franklin, born May 15, 1871;

Sadie Huzzard, born June 16, 1873;

John Earl, born June 4, 1875; and

Lewis, born Jan. 29, 1877, died Feb. 19, 1877.

Ada May was born in Holden, Mo. She was married on November 12, 1885, to Ed. V. Smith by the Rev. Ingram.

Minnie Maud was born in Holden and was married there on October 3, 1889, to Joseph Scott Johnson by the Rev. E. J. Hurst. They are living, at the present time—1926, in Osawatomie, Kansas, and have two children—Joseph Lillard, born September 22, 1896, and Francis Lorain, born August 28, 1903—both born in Osawatomie.

Benjamin Franklin married Kate (?). They live in Muskogee, Okla., and have one child—Lois, born in Muskogee November 21, 1897.

Sadie Huzzard, born in Holden, Mo., was married on October 6, 1898, in Wagner, Indiana, to Frank H. Smith by the Rev. A. V. Francis. They are living, at present—1926, in Ogden, Utah.

John Earl was married on April 28, 1901, at Lane, Kansas, to Georgia Logan. She was born March 8, 1876. They are, at present—1926, living in St. Louis, Missouri, and have the following issue:

Mildred, born Dec. 26, 1902, died same day;
J. Logan, born March 25, 1904;
Eugene Herbert, born Dec. 26, 1905;
Robert Laurence, born May 11, 1909;
Joseph Foltz, born April 25, 1911; and
Geo. Howard, born April 7, 1913.

John W. Mittong enlisted during the summer of 1861 in the Union army, company E., 76th Pa. inf. Part of his service was with Gen. Sherman's army in Gen. W. F. (Baldy) Smith's division which was stationed in South Carolina. He was honorably discharged in November, 1865.

Previous to the outbreak of the war John was bound out as apprentice (which was the custom in those days) to learn the trade of printer. He still had several years of his apprenticeship to serve when he, in company with another lad, ran away from home and enlisted in the army.

While attached to the adjutant general's office he, together with some of the officers, printed a little newspaper called "The New South."

Soon after his discharge from the army he married Mary Jane Huzzard. They moved to Virginia and lived in that state until sometime in 1868 when they moved to Holden, Mo. They lived in Missouri until 1905 when they moved to Muskogee, Okla. Here, on November 24, 1917, his wife died and from this time until his death he lived among his children. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Joseph S. Johnson, in Osawatomie, Kansas.

While living at Holden, Missouri, he was the founder and for nineteen years editor and publisher of the "Holden Enterprise." He also was editor for a short time of the "Globe" at Osawatomie, Kansas.

Much credit is due him for his assistance in compiling the records of the early Mittong and Mock families. Had this record been started a decade sooner, or before his physical strength began to wane, much more valuable information could have been obtained.

The author visited this aged couple while they were living in Holden and an impression was left upon him which will always be remembered.

Following the death of John W. Mittong, this notice appeared in the "Holden Enterprise":

"The death of John W. Mittong at Osawatomie, Kansas, November 13, 1923, marked the passing of a newspaper man who was for many years closely identified with the upbuilding and advancement of Holden. He came to this city in 1868 with his parents. He was 25 years of age and was a part of the history of this city from his arrival until about fifteen years ago when he moved to Muskogee, Okla., where he joined his son, Frank, in the drug-store business. During his ab-

sence he continued to take a keen interest in the happenings around here and was as well informed on the city's history as any person during the early 70's. He was appointed express agent and served at the depot with the late M. L. Gray—serving in that capacity for several years. In 1877 he was chosen city clerk. In 1879 Mr. Mittong embarked in the newspaper business in this city. He and his partner, R. Allen Cruse, purchased the "Enterprise." In 1881 he purchased the interest of his partner—becoming the sole owner until 1883 when he disposed of a half-interest to John B. Crisp. In 1886 he disposed of his remaining share and retired from the field on account of being broken in health and took a much needed rest. Mr. Mittong had a forceful character which led rather than followed the drift and which so many deem the easier and safer plan."

Mrs. Elizabeth (nee Williams) Mittong, mother of John W., was born in Bedford county, Pa., on May 3, 1821. The early years of her life were spent in a Presbyterian farm house—a home of peace and plenty. Early in life she united with the church of her fathers and remained in its connection until her removal to Berlin, Somerset county, Pa., where she united with the German Reformed church which was the nearest in faith and practice to her own and sustained this connection until death. She was married in Bedford county, Pa., on October 28, 1841, to Henry Mittong who was at that time a promising young cabinet maker and undertaker. Here they lived the first few years of their married life and these two children were born—John W., and Jacob. They then moved to Berlin, Somerset county, Pa., where the following children were born: William H., Mary Catherine, and George W. Soon after George was born they moved to Mannington, Marion county, W. Va., where Henry's brother, Jacob, lived. The following children were born in Mannington: Ella, Sarah, Joseph, and Emily. All of their children were given to God in their infancy in the ordinance of baptism. Joseph died young and is buried in West Virginia.

This family lived in Mannington and vicinity for fifteen years. They moved to Holden, Mo., in 1868. Here they purchased property and lived for a while before moving to a farm on Grand river where they lived until the year of the grasshopper devastation—being forced East again to find more prosperous living in Grant county, Indiana. Here Ella was married and Sarah was seriously burned—causing her death.

Within a few years they returned to Missouri and rented what was then known as "The Farnsworth Place" which was about ten miles south of Holden. They were still living here when Henry, the father and husband of this family, died on October 22, 1881.

The following is a copy of the obituary of Henry Mittong as it appeared after his death:

“On Saturday evening, October 22, 1881, in Rose Hill township, this county, Henry Mittong, aged 63 years, 7 months and 21 days, died.

Mr. Mittong was the father of the “Enterprise.” He was born in Bedford county, Pa., February 1, 1818, and was of German parentage—his father having immigrated to this country from Saxony, Germany, at an early day. He was an energetic, industrious man but his energy and industry were not rewarded with any surplus accumulation. He was always ready to make any sacrifice for his wife and children—being liberal even to fault!

The deceased was the father of nine children. The remains were interred in the Holden cemetery, Monday last, at eleven o’clock.

Peace to his ashes.”

“I sit beside my household hearth,
I hear my childrens’ laughter;
I know no look of thine, henceforth,
Shall brighten my hereafter,
And chide my spirit, as to-night
It sadly doth remember
Those happy eyes, that softened light,
Those moonbeams of September.

Yet, may not memory in its flight,
The sad reality scorning,
Recall, amid the shades of night,
The splendor of the morning?
Sing the old songs, whose sweetest rhymes,
Saddest closes.”

Sometime after his death Mrs. Mittong took her youngest daughter, Emily, to Western Kansas where her two unmarried sons had taken out a land-grant. Here Emily died and was buried on the Kansas prairies.

After several unfavorable seasons they were compelled to abandon their lands in Kansas and returned to Missouri—traveling across country by wagon.

Her declining years were spent in Holden, Mo., where her two married sons lived. Through kindness and a cheery disposition she endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact. She was one of the Lord’s bidden who liked to live her religion rather than talk it. All of her children then living, except the daughter living in Indiana, stood around her bedside when she passed away at two o’clock on the morning of March 1, 1899. This was on the anniversary of one of her bitterest sorrow—the burning to death of her daughter, Sarah.

“Rest comes at length,
Tho life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn
And dark some night be passed.
All journeys end in welcome to the weary,
And Heaven, the hearts true home, will come at last.”

In the year 1868, or just before Henry Mittong moved with his family to Missouri, they visited his brother, Jacob, and family who were living at that time in Glover Gap, W. Va.

The children of these two families relate that this visit was a very happy and enjoyable occasion.

Mary Catherine Mittong married Commodore Benton Reece. He was born May 8, 1838, and died June 4, 1915. They were parents of the following children:

Charles Benton, born Jan. 11, 1875;
Harry Elmer, born Jan. 7, 1876;
Ida Mary, born Jan. 5, 1879;
Walter Logan, born Aug. 22, 1884; and
Robert Lincoln, born Feb. 11, 1890.

Charles Benton married Leta Schnell. She was born in Missouri on February 23, 1878. They are living at present in Harrisonville, Mo., and are parents of the following children:

John Benton, born March 17, 1904;
Wm. Schnell, born Jan. 29, 1906; and
Chas. Arthur, born March 22, 1908.

Harry Elmer was born in Missouri. He married Mary Elizabeth (?). She was born October 7, 1874. They are living at present in Kansas City where Harry is employed in the post office department.

Ida Mary also was born in Missouri. She married Ello Vansandt Gross who was born in Missouri on October 5, 1877. They are parents of the following children: Aaron Reece, born May 24, 1904; and Herbert Benton, born September 4, 1908.

Aaron Reece is at present assistant cashier in a bank in Archie, Missouri, where his parents live.

Walter Logan was born in Missouri and married Dorothy Leah Oster of Missouri. She was born September 8, 1900. They have one child—James McDonald, born August 12, 1923, in Greely, Col., where Walter is at present prohibition agent for the state of Colorado.

Robert Lincoln was born in Missouri and married Rose Edwards of Missouri. She was born July 16, 1889, and they are the parents of two children—Rose Mary, born August 14, 1923; and Ruth Edwards, born December 23, 1924—both children being born in Kansas City, Missouri, where Robert is at present assistant superintendent of street repairs.

George Wesley Giesey Mittong married Laura Rebecca Kelly. She was born November 8, 1856, in Yadkinville, North Carolina. They are at present living in Holden, Missouri, and are parents of the following children:

Harry Osmay, born Dec. 30, 1873;
Nettie May, born May 31, 1877, died Jan. 17, 1879;
Edgar Van Burin, born July 21, 1879;
Lutie Ada, born May 1, 1881, died Dec. 3, 1886;
Ethel Noble, born Jan. 15, 1884, died Jan. 4, 1914;
Louis Kelley, born June 1, 1893; and
Lew Holsey, born May 6, 1896, died Oct. 30, 1897.

Harry Osmay was born in Holden, Mo., and married Leta Arnold. She was born in Shebina, Mo., on January 16, 1881. They are living at present in Kansas City, Mo., and are parents of three children—all born in Kansas City:

Oland, born Jan. 4, 1899;
George, born Jan. 22, 1901; and
Mary, born Dec. 7, 1915.

Oland married Wanta May. She was born in Stanley, Kansas, on October 25, 1902. One child—Willard DeYoe, born to them on May 26, 1921, and died same date.

Nettie May was born in Holden Missouri.

Edgar VanBurin was born in Holden and married Marion Gertrude Brisco of Holden. She was born February 21, 1881, and died April 26, 1896. One child—William Kirk, was born to them on March 19, 1906, in Kansas City and died August 14, 1906.

Edgar's second wife was Blanche E. Lonegon, born in Leavenworth, Kansas, on August 4, 1884.

Lutie Ada was born in Holden, Mo.

Edith Noble was born in Holden. She married Julius Roth. Issue, one child—Margaret Ada, born December 21, 1910, and died August 2, 1916, in Kansas City.

Louis Kelley, the sixth child of Geo. W. and Laura Mittong, was born in Holden. He married Mayre Helen Bromich who was born in Topeka, Kansas, on February 20, 1894.

George W. and Laura Rebecca (Kelley) Mittong are living, at present—1926, in Holden, Mo. This family and also members of this family living in Harrisonville, Mo., who are cousins of the author, were visited by him in 1906.

Ella Zuma, daughter of Henry and Martha Elizabeth Mittong, was married in 1879 to Benjamin Franklin Garrison. He was born June 19, 1855. They are parents of the following children:

Henry M., born Feb. 23, 1880, died Feb. 23, 1880;
Nora May Bell, born Jan. 30, 1882;
Clarence, born March 14, 1884;
Minnie Maud, born Feb. 22, 1886;
Elmer Lawrence, born Oct. 17, 1887;

Della Jane, born Oct. 8, 1889;
George, born Sept. 17, 1892;
John Prennall, born Feb. 29, 1896;
Ole Pearl, born March 9, 1898; and
Bennie Harley, born Oct. 10, 1900.

Nora May Bell was married first, on March 23, 1900, to Harley Gillispie. He was born February 13, 1879, and died March 11, 1911. To this union were born the following children:

Oma, March 13, 1903;
Louis, January 20, 1906; and
Arthur, August 29, 1910.

For her second husband, Nora married Jackson McCarty. He was born May 1, 1874. Following are the children of the second union:

Mary, born Jan. 5, 1914;
Myrtle, born Feb. 28, 1918; and
Dessie, born July 20, 1920.

Clarence was married April 20, 1912, to Ada Wagner who was born June 3, 1896. Issue, one child—Aline, born November 3, 1912.

Minnie Maud was married on December 19, 1906, to John Denton who was born March 4, 1885. Issue, the following:

Charley, born July 20, 1907;
Mabel, born March 29, 1909;
Louis, born Feb. 18, 1912, died June 5, 1917;
Walter, born July 17, 1913;
Paul, born May 13, 1917;
Ruth, born July 23, 1920; and
Majorie, born Sept. 24, 1922.

Elmer Lawrence was married on August 26, 1912, to Gertrude Ward who was born September 11, 1890. To this union are the following issue: Elmer Ward, born September 9, 1914; and Robert Dale, born August 25, 1917.

Della Jane was married on January 23, 1909, to Geo. W. Denton who was born October 26, 1886. Issue:

Aola Delight, born July 23, 1911;
Audrey Laweta, born June 27, 1915; and
Dolores Imogene, born (?).

George was married on January 16, 1915, to Ellen Johnson who was born June 11, 1892. Issue:

Ronald Leon, born May 23, 1916;
Geneva Louise, born March 30, 1918; and
Wilma Marie, born July 15, 1919.

Bennie Harley was married on June 18, 1922, to Bertha Bricker who was born January 13, 1905. Issue, one child—Lilly Marie, born July 14, 1924. They also have one adopted child—Marsh D. Bougher, born September 20, 1918. Bennie Harley Garrison is a Nazarene minister.

Benjamin Franklin and Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison, their children, and their childrens' families are living at present in the vicinity of Marion, Indiana.

The author is very much indebted to his cousin, Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison, for information obtained by her which has been valuable in compiling the genealogy of older members of the Mittong family and especially in locating the descendants of Christopher Mittank—a brother of John.

Samuel, the youngest brother of Henry and Jacob Mittong, was born about the year 1823 and died about 1846. He was fostered by his uncle, Michael Mock. Samuel married and died without issue.

There has been some discussion as to just how and when the name "Mittong" originated. The author has received several explanations from different members of this family but due to discrepancies the exact date cannot be determined. However, it can reliably be placed at some time during the early life of Henry and Jacob Mittong. The following account of this change is given by Jacob's son, Henry Harrison Mittong, of Lumberport, West Virginia:

"Father and Uncle Henry left their home soon after the death of Grandfather, which occurred in 1835 when Father was about fourteen years of age. They went to some place near Cumberland, Md., where Father was bound out to some man (which was the custom in those days) for five years to learn the carpenters' trade and Uncle Henry was bound out to learn the trade of cabinet maker. After they had served their five years of apprenticeship, the two young men returned home to their mother. At this time the three agreed among themselves to spell their name 'Mittong'."

Another source of information in regard to this change is contained in a letter which the author received from John W. Mittong, son of Henry, soon after we were authorized to compile a genealogy of the Mittong family and connections. The following is a quotation of this letter in full:

"Ogden, Utah, June 20, 1921.

My dear cousin:

This letter is written, perhaps, on account of what you wrote about a deceased and loved one with whom I lived for more than fifty years. Loved by all, she passed away at the ripe old age of 74 years. She entered into rest and I would not bring her back if I could. Some day, but not in the flesh, I expect to be with her. Excuse me for this prelude on genealogy and I shall try to give the facts, as near as I can, which were told to me more than sixty years ago. You had Grandmother Mittong, from whom I gathered these facts, with you for many years.

The "Old Man" Mittong was accompanied to this country by his two sons—John and Christopher. They were landed at Yorktown, Va., and surrendered by Lord Cornwallis of the English army to General Washington. They were enlisted by the English officers and brought to this country in Lord Cornwallis' army. This surrender was the end of the American Revolutionary war. They were Hessians hired by the English government. After this surrender the Mittongs walked to Pennsylvania and settled in St. Clair township, Bedford county, where a band of early German settlers had taken up their abode. They never returned to Saxony and, I presume, forever made good citizens. At least, I have evidence of this fact!

Christopher went to Indiana at an early date and took up a quarter-section of land. His family afterwards was known as a fine family—prosperous and well-to-do. They held to the name "Mittank" and were going by that name when I last heard of them.

Father, Mother and Brother George visited them after the Civil war and were recognized by them as kin-folk and treated very nicely by them. They remained with them on one of their farms for nearly two years. They then returned to Missouri to live.

Mrs. Christopher Mittank and Mrs. John Mittong were sisters. Both lived almost to the century mark. Their family name before marriage was "Mock" and they were known as well-to-do people.

The "Old Man" Mittank, father of John and Christopher, married into a family, the name of whom I have forgotten, but it was told to me by Grandmother Mittong.

My father—Henry Mittong, Jacob Mittong, and another brother—Samuel who died at an early age, were the children of John Mittong. John's widow, Sarah, never married again and she came to our house in Berlin, Somerset county, Pa., and remained with us until Uncle Jacob lost his wife by death in Mannington, W. Va. This was in the early sixties.

After the death of Uncle Jacob's second wife in 1883, he went to Bedford county, Pa., on a visit and remained among his relatives for one winter. He told about many interesting incidents which happened during his visit and which he enjoyed.

I do not know the year of Grandfather's death. But he made a will which is recorded in the recorder's office in Bedford county, Pa. I often thought I would look it up and talked once to the recorder about it but never took any action.

I also was acquainted with the executor of the will, Job Mann—an attorney of ability.

Henry Mock, a large land owner, came to see me a few times while I was in a printing office in Bedford but our con-

versations were always about commonplace things and this subject was never discussed. He was a brother of Grandmother Mittong. He fostered my father.

In mentioning the will of Grandfather Mittong: When it was settled my father was paid \$30.00 as his share of the estate while he had been led to believe that his father was well-to-do. The trouble was this: The Mittongs had a great deal of land in their names but had failed to get a legal title and men who were shrewder saw the opening and appropriated their lands and the widow and children had nothing left when death took from them a protector.

Christopher became very angry about this affair and left that part of the country and Grandmother and her children broke up their home.

Mike Mock was another brother of Grandmother Mittong. I knew him well. The Civil war dealt him a heavy blow, for he lost several of his boys in that conflict. He passed away soon after I returned from the war. I met, afterwards, his youngest daughter who knew that I was in Bedford and who kindly asked me to call on her.

Our family was of German origin and, I think, could not speak English.

When Grandmother Mittong came to our house she could speak only the German language. She spoke German fluently and could read and write it. We children taught her to speak English. She and others of the family were taught to speak German by an Irish schoolmaster who lived in their settlement at that time.

The men folks on the Mittong side could neither read nor write, and it was because of this illiteracy that they did not take out patents, thereby, losing their lands. They were native Germans and were gathered up by the authorities and placed in Lord Cornwallis' army. Their service was sold for money. Our histories call them "Hessians."

During that time Saxony was governed by small principalities and these men helped the strong to govern the weak. You will find all of this in histories of that time. Look it up and draw your own conclusions.

I want to mention this: Our surname is "Mittank" and means in German, "With thanks." The family went by this name and my father never knew of any other until he tried to obtain his share of the Mittong estate. When he wrote his name "Henry Mittank" he was told that it was not his correct name. The attorney had the will nullified because the name in that document was plainly written "John Mittong." My father always used this name after that time.

The Mittongs did not come from the Royal Purple but were just plain German folks and my remembrance is that they were some very fine people among them. My grand-

mother was an intelligent and well-bred woman. Uncle Jacob was a good fellow and very intelligent.

All the Mocks whom I knew were fine people and I never was ashamed of any of my relatives.

This completes my story. I have known it for many years, for I learned it from my grandmother, my father, and some of it from my mother, who learned it from other members of the family.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN W. MITTONG."

The above letter was written by John W. Mittong when he was 78 years of age and shows that he had a remarkable memory and keen mind for a man of that age.

After investigating details of the family story as told by him, we find that some parts of it are in error. However, many of the details given by him could not be verified by any other source and, therefore, will be considered authentic by the author.

John and Christopher Mittank, the two brothers mentioned by him, were not yet born and, of course, could not have been used as Hessian soldiers in the Revolutionary war. But their father might have been and probably was in the surrender of Yorktown at the close of the war. He must have returned to his native land, Saxony, because his two sons were born there.

In regard to changing the name "Mittank" to "Mittong", he again may be wrong, because a copy of the above mentioned will was not on record in Bedford.

In regard to the name "Mittank" meaning in the German language "with thanks": This may have been, and probably is yet, used by some classes of the German speaking people as a corruption of the phrase "Mit dank" which is the nearest German expression equivalent to the English phrase "with thanks."

CHAPTER II

THE MITTONG FAMILY CONCLUDED

Jacob Mittong lived, after his marriage to Louisa Clark, in Cumberland, Md., from sometime in the year 1844 to sometime in 1849. Here two children were born—Mary Louise, and Sarah Ann. During this time he worked at the carpenter's trade. Sometime during the year 1849 he moved his family to a farm situate about two and one-half miles west of Mannington, W. Va., on the site of the present home of J. C. Boyles. Sarah Ann died here and was buried in the Mannington cemetery.

The following children were born here: Emily Jane, Mandilla, Chas. Wesley, and Ellen Frances.

During the time that he lived at this place, he was section-foreman on what is known at present as the Wheeling division of the B. & O. R. R.

In the year 1860 he moved his family to the village of Mannington. While living here Henry Harrison was born and here also occurred the death of his wife, Louisa. He moved from Mannington to Burton, W. Va., sometime during the year 1862. He lived in that village until sometime in 1864 when he moved to a place called "Possum Hollow" near the village of Glover Gap, W. Va., and lived there for three years. In 1855 he was promoted from section-foreman to the job of building switch-balls. These balls which the railroads were using at that time were made of wood and his knowledge of carpentry was a great aid to him in that work. He worked at that trade for eight years and the company again promoted him; this time to the position of supervisor of the Grafton division which, at that time, included what is now the present Wheeling division. He held that position for four years. In the year 1867 he resigned from his position with the railroad and bought a farm at the head of State's Fork run. He tilled this farm for twenty-seven years. During this time he also worked at carpentry. One of the last jobs, if not the last, he did at this trade was to build a frame kitchen to the old log house on Drake's run in which C. C. Wilson lived at that time. This was about the year 1889. While living on this farm his second wife died. She is buried in a private graveyard on the summit of one of the hills of this farm.

During the year 1894 Jacob M. Mittong, who at that time was living with his third wife, bought a farm at the mouth of Dunkard Mill run about two miles east of Farmington, W. Va., and moved there.

Jacob M. Mittong was well-read, fairly well-educated, and well-bred. He received a part of his education from his mother, who was also fairly well-educated.

While living in and around Mannington he was for several years a member, and later president, of the Board of Education of that district. He was a man known to have been very firm in his convictions of Right and Wrong and a devout christian with a character above reproach. He was a great admirer of pine trees. There is a very large one standing in the front yard of the old house on State's Fork which he moved, after it had several years growth, from his home in Glover Gap. The old house which he built on State's Fork is also standing. He is interred in a private graveyard on a hilltop of this farm where his mother—Sarah (nee Mock) Mittong—and second wife—Mary (nee Glover) Mittong—also sleep. Here again we find several small pine trees growing.

“Only those who have lost can tell
Of the grief that's born in silence
For the one we loved so well.”

On the morning of September 1, 1921, which was the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Jacob M. Mittong, the author, in company with his brother—James E.—and the two living daughters of Jacob—Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson and Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand—took their lunch and went to the graveyard on the old homestead.

After clearing the graves of a thick growth of weeds, briars, brush, etc., at which all worked diligently until the graves were in good shape, we went to a shade tree on the crest of the hill where we ate our lunch.

During lunch, and for a short time after, the two half-sisters—Mandilla and Elizabeth—indulged in reminiscences of earlier days. They recounted many things which occurred during their girlhood days of a half-century ago on this farm, and this was enjoyed by all. Elizabeth especially enjoyed entertaining us by telling about their girlhood pranks.

After lunch we returned and decorated the graves of our beloved departed with flowers—making them appear as new.

Standing in silence, sad memories were recalled; tears trickled down our faces; clouds were gathering; distant thunder could be heard; but we did not hasten!

We then walked down the hillside to the old house where the half-sisters spent their girlhood days—all the while telling about the time spent there and pointing out many familiar landmarks which had not been changed by time—the old pine tree; the flowers, especially the hollyhocks, around the house and garden; the well; the spring across the road; the old grapevine. Even the buildings seemed to talk—trying, perhaps, to remind them of many things which they had forgotten.

A heavy rain came upon us compelling us to stop on our way home until it had abated. We then proceeded to our homes feeling better and happier for having made this trip.

John Mittank—father of Henry, Jacob and Samuel Mittong—was born in Saxony, Germany, about the year 1795. He married Sarah Mock about 1816 or 1817.

Christopher Mittank—brother of John—was born in Saxony, Germany, on November 11, 1797, and died in 1876. He was married on August 6, 1822, to Elizabeth Mock who was a sister of Sarah (nee Mock) Mittong.

The father of John and Christopher was, according to tradition, a Hessian soldier in the American Revolutionary war. He was born about 1763 in Saxony and immigrated to America with his two sons sometime between the years 1810 and 1815. The exact date cannot be determined because records of immigrants were not kept after the year 1810 and, since we find them here in 1815, the time of their arrival was between these two dates. They settled in St. Clair township, Bedford county, Pa., near the present borough of Pavia.

The farm which was once owned by John and Sarah Mittong, and where their three children were born, is now known as the Yeager farm. This farm was visited in the autumn of 1922 by the author and his brother, James, while on their trip in search for records of this family.

The graves of John Mittong and his son, Samuel, were found but neither could be positively identified as there were also four large and two smaller, unmarked graves besides those of John and Samuel. The little graveyard is unkept but the graves were well-preserved.

The assumption that the father of John and Christopher Mittank was in the Hessian army during the American Revolution cannot be verified. We find, however, that the practice of hiring out German citizens as soldiers for service in foreign countries was begun in the year 1627, or when William V. was ruler of one of the main principalities, and continued until Frederick The Great, king of Prussia and emperor of Germany, discontinued it in the early nineteenth century.

Other countries besides Great Britain had been hiring German soldiers for a period of almost two hundred years but we find that Great Britain had pursued this practice to a greater extent than any other country.

We find Germany in 1775 divided into about three hundred sovereignties besides more than a thousand estates of Imperial Knights who had many rights of sovereignty. Each principality, however small, had to maintain its own prince and his army. All of the cities were governed by privileged classes.

In this war there were 29,867 German soldiers known as "Hessians."

An agreement was made with Great Britain whereby she would pay and feed these Hessian soldiers on the same basis that she paid and fed the British soldiers; that they would be cared for in British hospitals; and those not in condition to serve would be returned to Germany.

The princes were to receive the amount of about \$35 for each man killed, and about \$12 for each maimed.

Out of the 29,867 soldiers brought to America, 17,500 were used throughout the war. 548 were killed; about 7,000 died of wounds and sickness; 17,500 returned to Germany; and about 5,000 remained in America after the war—some going to Canada where England gave them land grants, but the majority of them found a home in the United States—the country against whom they were forced to fight.

At that time when men were being conscripted for Lord Cornwallis' army, the father of John and Christopher Mittank was about 18 years of age and it is, therefore, reasonable to conclude that he was one of the conscripts, since many of them were from Saxony. However, he returned to Saxony after the war where John and Christopher were born and then returned to this country about the year 1814.

Christopher also lost his farm at the same time that John lost his. This was probably due to the fact that he could neither read nor write, thereby, being unable to secure a legal title to his land. After the death of his brother, John Mittank, which occurred in about 1834, Christopher moved with his family, in 1835, to Delaware county, Ohio. He moved later to Matthews, Indiana, where both he and his wife are buried. The descendants of Christopher still go by the original name "Mittank." The following are children of Christopher and Elizabeth Mittank:

David, born Nov. 15, 1824, died Dec. 16, 1897;

John, born May 29, 1831, died (?);

Michael, born June 16, 1833, died Feb. 15, 1920;

George, born Jan. 22, 1841, died April 9, 1864;

Hannah, Eliza, Katy, and Mary Ann.

David was married on October 3, 1850, to Margaret McKeever. She died June 16, 1900. He was drafted in the Union army on September 21, 1864, and served in the 32nd reg. of Indiana.

John was married four times. He lived and died in Pendleton, Ind.

Michael was married twice.

George enlisted in the Civil war on August 28, 1862, in co. C, 89th inf. vol., and was killed in the battle of Pleasant Hill on April 9, 1864.

Hannah married George W. Kolp.

Eliza married John Dunlap.

Katy married Coleman Sanders.

Mary Ann married Albert McCoy.

Among some of the grandchildren of Christopher, we find the following: Amariah—son of David—living in Upland, Ind.; G. L. Mittank—son of Michael—living in Fairmount, Indiana; and Joseph and S. P. Kolp—sons of George and Hannah (nee Mittank) Kolp—living in Princeton, Ill.

The above named, who are cousins of the writer, are the persons from whom information in regard to the lives of Christopher and Elizabeth Mittank was obtained.

The Clark family are of Scottish origin and were among the first settlers in Maryland and Virginia. The earliest Clarks, of whom we have any record, settled in Montgomery county, Md.

In "Heads of Families of Maryland, 1790" are listed names of the following Clarks of Montgomery county: George, with two sons under sixteen years of age; Henry, with three sons over sixteen years of age, one daughter and twenty-one slaves; John, with three sons over and three under sixteen years of age and four daughters; and Thomas, with one son under sixteen and three daughters.

Probably the above named John was the ancestor of the first wife of Jacob M. Mittong, as that name is inherent in the Clark family down to the present generations.

The following is copied verbatim from the family Bible of the late Zadock Clark which is located in Pittsburgh, Penna.: "Nancy Entler, daughter of Adam Entler, born 1788 in Cumberland, Md., died October 5, 1854; married 1806, Zadock Clark, born September 25, 1784, in Montgomery county, Md., died March 9, 1862. Issue:

George Asberry, born Sept. 25, 1807;

James, born April 19, 1810;

Greenbeany, born March 24, 1811;

John Hoblitzell, born July 28, 1814, died June 20, 1904;

Mary Jane, born Feb. 20, 1816, married David Giffey;

Jannet, born Feb. 1, 1822;

Olivah (Olviah), born Sept. 2, 1823, died Oct. 22, 1886;

William, no record;

Loiza (Louisa), born Jan. 17, 1829, died March 30, 1861;

Emily, born Jan. 27, 1831;

Matilda, born Aug. 15, 1833."

The children of David and Mary Jane (nee Clark) Griffey are:

John, born in July, 1836;

George Asberry, born Jan. 26, 1834;

Janet Cattenin, born April 4, 1840; and

Frank Thomas, born May 5, 1842, died Jan. 24, 1849.

B. F. Munson, born May 9, 1822, died November 19, 1890, married Olviah Clark. They died without issue and are in-

tered in Rose Hill cemetery, Cumberland, Maryland.

Mary, the wife of John H. Clark, was born in 1848 and died November 16, 1891. They reared a large family. We have not been able to compile a complete record of this family. Following are locations of some of them: William, living at present in Cumberland, Md.; Zeddock, living in Carriganville, Md.; C. J. Clark, living in Ellerslie, Md.; Mrs. Mae (nee Clark) Boore, living in Keyser, W. Va.; and a daughter, living in Connellsville, Pa.

John H. Clark had no children by his first wife but they fostered two children by the names of Mollie and Norman Shockley who are living at present near Ellerslie, Md. John H. lived to be almost ninety years of age. He also lived at Ellerslie where he owned and operated a large mill.

Zadock and Nancy (nee Entler) Clark also lived near Ellerslie. They are buried near there. Zadock Clark was a captain in the war of 1812. The following is copied from a court record in Cumberland, Maryland:

“With the consent of his mother, Margaret Russel, the court will bind out her son, Joseph—a colored boy, to Zadock Clark until he arrives at the age of 21 years to learn the art and trade of a rough carpenter. The said Clark to furnish the said apprentice in sufficient meat and drink, washing, lodging, and clothing at the option of the apprentice when free.”

Very little could be learned about the early Clark and Entler families. According to Mollie Shockley they are in some way connected with the Hoblitzell and Hauck families.

CHAPTER III

THE GLOVER FAMILY

The Glover family is of English ancestry.

John Glover, the first of whom we have any knowledge, immigrated to this country from England in the year about 1755. According to tradition he was still a young man when he came over here. This would lead one to believe that he was born sometime between 1735 and 1740. Upon his arrival in this country he settled in Wilmington, Delaware. He lived there but a short time before he married a New England girl and to this union several children were born. The names of only two of these children are known to the author—Amos, born in 1760, and Nehemiah, born about 1772.

Sometime about the year 1781, these two brothers left Delaware and went to Western Pennsylvania—Amos locating in Washington county and Nehemiah in Green county.

Amos married and had the following issue: David, James, Thomas, Cramford, Samuel, Sarah, and Nancy.

Nehemiah was born in Wilmington, Del., about the year 1772. He died about 1845. He married Dorcas Koen, sister of Isaac Koen who was an early settler of Wetzel county, W. Va. Soon after their marriage they moved from Green county and settled at the head of Dunkard creek about two miles southeast of the village of Wadestown, Monongalia county, W. Va., on what is known as the Wilson Haught farm.

The author is indebted to the late John Glover of Fairmont, W. Va.; to R. B. Ash of near Mannington, W. Va.; and to "Myer's History of West Virginia" for the genealogy of this family.

On page 379 in "Wiley's History of Preston County, W. Va.", Amos Glover is mentioned as being one of the early settlers of Grant district. He married Drucilla Spurgin, daughter of James. There is no date shown on this settlement but it was close to the year 1790. It is the author's opinion that this Amos was a brother of Nehemiah.

Myer's History of West Virginia.

In the year 1797, according to Myer, Nehemiah Glover, sr., settled on a tract of unbroken forest-land on the Marion county side of the divide near where Glover Gap tunnel on the B. & O. R. R. is located. Here he built a log cabin and moved his family.

At that time this part of the state was sparsely settled and in order to obtain salt and gunpowder he had to travel to Wheeling, W. Va., which was then a small village.

He lived to rear his family until they were old enough to care for themselves. He died about 1845 and is buried in a private graveyard on Tunnel hill near the site on which he built his log cabin.

After his death his land was acquired by his son, Léonard, who later sold it and moved to another farm near Silver Hill in Center district, Wetzel county, on the waters of Stillwell—taking his mother with him. Within a few years Leonard's mother died. He moved later to Wood county, West Virginia.

According to "Hardesty's Atlas of Marion and Harrison Counties", Nehemiah Glover, Jacob Metz, James Michael, and Thomas and Robert Campbell were the first settlers in Mannington district.

The village of Glover Gap is named in honor of Nehemiah Glover. Although many of his descendants are living in many of the states, several of them still live in, or near, this village.

Following are the children of Nehemiah and Dorcas (nee Koen) Glover: John, Margaret, Barbara, Samuel, Ephram, William, Nehemiah, Isaac, Mary, Lucy, Amos, Leonard, and a youngest child dying in infancy.

John was married twice: first, to Catherine Bartrug, daughter of Peter, and secondly, to Sarah Pratt. Catherine died without issue and is buried at Cottontown, W. Va. To the second union were born the following children: Jerry, Leonard, Barbara, Lucy, and Hetty.

John and Sarah Glover are buried beside his father at Low Gap.

Margaret, second child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married John Six, of Green county, Pa., and to this union were born the following children: Nehemiah, Adam, Hannah, Jackson, and Abner.

Barbara, third child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married George Bartrug, son of Peter, and to them were born—Peter, George, Moses, Samuel, Dorcas, Margaret, Mary, Elizabeth, Barbara, and Sarah. The greater number of this family are buried at Cottontown, W. Va.

Samuel, fourth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, was born February 27, 1803, and died January 13, 1893. He was married first to Elizabeth Bartrug, daughter of Peter Bartrug, on March 27, 1824. Elizabeth was born February 22, 1802, and died July 28, 1869. His second marriage was to Christinia Horner on April 20, 1870. Christinia died on August 21, 1891.

Samuel Glover began his married life on a farm adjoining that of his father, Nehemiah. He acquired additions now and then to this farm until he possessed more than four hundred acres.

The following are issue of Samuel and Elizabeth (nee Bartrug) Glover:

Mary, born April 12, 1825, died June 1, 1883;
Dorcas, born October 31, 1826, died March 25, 1909;
Peter, born Nov. 25, 1827, died (?);
Nehemiah, born April 3, 1829, died Feb., 1906;
Stephen, born March 8, 1830, died Dec. 16, 1858;
John, born June 27, 1831; died June, 1924;
A son, born and died June 14, 1832;
Sarah, born Sept. 3, 1833, died Oct. 3, 1833;
Daniel, born July 17, 1835, died same day;
Isaac, born Nov. 24, 1836, died Oct. 26, 1858;
Elizabeth, born June 4, 1838, died Dec. 11, 1858;
George, born Oct. 4, 1839, died Jan. 7, 1859;
Samuel, jr., born Feb. 27, 1841, died Jan. 13, 1859;
William, born Aug. 14, 1842, died Jan. 21, 1859;
Anthony J., born Oct. 26, 1844;
Lamech, born March 1, 1846; and
Abraham B., born Sept. 24, 1847, died Jan. 17, 1859.

Issue of Samuel and Christinia (nee Horner) Glover: Narcisseus, born January 13, 1871, married Dennis Carpenter and have three children—Glen, Mirima, and Grace; Lafayette, born June 29, 1872; and Ellen, born September 2, 1874.

Lafayette married a Cathers who only lived about one year after marriage. He then married Isabel Hall and to this union were born three daughters.

Ellen married John Lemley and to this union were born a daughter—Ruth—and a son.

Mary, the eldest child of Samuel and Elizabeth Glover, married, and was the second wife of Jacob M. Mittong. The genealogy of this family is given in another chapter.

Dorcas married John G. Ash on September 15, 1853. He was born October 23, 1829, and died April 20, 1868. Following are the children of John G. and Dorcas (nee Glover) Ash:

Samuel, born July 3, 1854;
Robert B., born Oct. 12, 1855;
Thomas J., born (?); and
Socrates, born (?).

Samuel Ash was married first to Lanie J. Pyle. She was born June 6, 1862, and died within one year after their marriage. They were married by the Rev. Geo. W. Kinsey on October 11, 1883. She was a daughter of Eli and Nancy Pyle of near Worthington, W. Va. Issue—one son, born and died August 9, 1884. Lanie J. (nee Pyle) Ash died August 13, 1884.

Samuel was married to Maria E. (nee Hibbs) Floyd on April 22, 1909, by the Rev. Geo. W. Kinsey. She was born March 3, 1866, and was a daughter of John and Nancy Hibbs and the widow of Henry Floyd.

Robert Bruce Ash was married on May 17, 1885, to Margaret Kuhn. She was born May 24, 1863. The following children were born to this union:

Georgia Blanch, Feb. 14, 1886, died Oct. 31, 1892;
Beulah Leane, Aug. 30, 1894; and
Robert Bruce, jr., June 2, 1897.

Beulah Leane was married on January 12, 1921, to Geo. W. Beatty. Issue, twins—Millard and Clinton, and Bernard.

Robert Bruce, jr., was married on May 11, 1918, to Mary Layru. Issue—one son, Robert, 3rd.

Thomas J. Ash married Florida B. Cross. Issue—Jasper, Carl, Okey A., Herbert, Anda, and Ora.

Socrates Ash married Florence Reece. Issue—Russel V., Arvil A., John H., Wilber, and Laurence E.

Peter Glover married Elizabeth Haught and to this union are the following issue: One child died in infancy; Perneutis who was married three times and reared a large family; Mary who married Amos Jolliffe and had four children; Elvira who married Albert Patterson, has one child, and lives in New Martinsville, W. Va.; Ellen who married Stephen Carney; Theodosia B. who married J. D. Bartrug; Rev. P. Luther who married a McKinney, has several children, and lives in Morgantown, W. Va.; Minnie who married and has issue and lives on the old homestead in Wetzel county, W. Va.; Frank, married has issue and lives in Morgantown, W. Va.

Nehemiah Glover was married on August 15, 1852, to Rebecca Freeland. She was born June 7, 1830, and died December 22, 1918. To this union were born the following: James Leroy, October 2, 1853, died April 23, 1870; F. Abraham, who married Jane Six and is the father of Bessie Frances who married Clarence Dell James; and Martha who married Elias Keenan and lives on the old homestead, near Glover Gap, W. Va., and reared a family of six children.

Stephen Glover was married in 1853 to Eliza Blue and to this union were born two children: a son—Izatus—and a daughter. Stephen died of typhoid fever. The daughter died later and after her death Eliza (nee Blue) Glover married Stephen Hibbs and then moved to somewhere in the West.

John Glover was married on November 9, 1851, to Sarah Ann Kinney. She was born September 30, 1832, and died August 4, 1916. They are most affectionately remembered by their friends and relatives as Uncle John and Aunt Sarah Ann. They lived with their son, A. Monard Glover, during their last few years. The author cherishes the memory that he was numbered as one among their hosts of friends. We are also indebted to him for his assistance and information in compiling the genealogy of the Glover family. He was a regular attendant of the Mittong reunions.

Following are the children of John and Sarah Ann (nee Kinney) Glover:

Perninah Maychi, born May 1, 1853, died Dec. 24, 1871;
Solomon Purcell, born July 27, 1857;

Isaac, born Sept. 20, 1859; and
Adelphia Monard, born Sept. 1, 1865.

Perinah Glover married J. M. Woodruff and at the time of her death left a three-weeks-old baby.

Solomon Glover married Mary Jane Hibbs and to this union are the following children—a son, born and died young; Archer who married a Gump and lives somewhere in the West; Russel who married a Cross and lives in Glover Gap, W. Va.; Flossie who married a Harding and lives near Pittsburgh, Pa.; John W. and Nancy are at home with their parents, Solomon and Mary Jane Glover, on the Furbee farm near Glover Gap.

Isaac Glover married Ida Philips and had issue, the following: Roswell who married a Hadwick and is living in Fairmont, W. Va., and has two children: a girl who died at the age of fourteen years; and John Oliver who is married and is living in Fairmont.

Adelphia Monard Glover married Alice Sellers and to them were born the following: Ora, Lottie, Nellie, Howard, John, Ray, Edgar, Walter, Fred, Charley and Harry who were twins, Mildred, Ruth, and three others at home with their parents.

Ora married Clyde Edgel. They are living at Green Springs near Cumberland, Md., and have four children living and one deceased.

Ray married Adie Leasure. They are living in Fairmont and have three children.

Lottie married a Davis. They are living in Fairmont and have one child—a girl.

Nellie married Albert Anderson. They are living in Shinnston, W. Va., and have one child—now deceased.

Howard, John, Edgar, Walter, Fred, and three others are at home with their parents in Fairmont, W. Va.

The twins, Charley and Harry, died young. Mildred and Ruth also died young.

A. M. Glover, father of this large family, was sheriff of Marion county, W. Va., 1916 to 1920—being elected on the Democratic ticket.

Anthony J., fifteenth child of Samuel and Elizabeth Glover, was married first to Pruda Campbell and to them were born the following: Levina, Enoch (deceased), Nancy, Elwood, and a fifth child—a son.

Levina married John Hunt. They have children and are living in Burton, W. Va.

Nancy married Carl Craft. They have children and are living in Wheeling, W. Va.

Anthony's second wife was Martha Reece and to this union were born—Annie, Bessie, Cecil, Ray, and Burt.

Annie married a Cole. They have children and live in Hundred, W. Va.

Bessie married William Freeland. They have children and live near Glover Gap, W. Va.

Cecil married Charlie Morris. They have children and live at the dam west of Glover Gap.

Ray is married and lives in Charleston, W. Va.

Burt is married, has children, and lives in Reader, West Va.

Anthony is living with his youngest son, Burt.

Lamech, sixteenth child of Samuel and Elizabeth Glover, married Eliza A. Brown. They moved to Long Bottom, Ohio, where Eliza later died. Following are the children of this union: Rosetta, Ida, Myrtle, Frances, Bessie, Dora M., Samuel, E. Wheeler, and Clarence.

Sometime after the death of his wife, Lamech married again.

Ephram, fifth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas (nee Koen) Glover, married Rachel Six. They had the following children: Mary Ann, Isabel, William, Lewis, Amos, Richard, Jackson, Dennis, and James.

William married Rachel Anderson and they had the following children: Samuel who married Hannah Yost; Emerson Lee who married Saphrona Koen; Daniel who died in infancy; Lewis Wetzel who married Nancy J. Phillips; Ellen Jane who married Newton Parish; Louise who married Sanford Wright; Mary who married Seymour Miller; Catherine unmarried; and Francis who married Lillie Myrtle Yost.

Following are the children of Francis and Myrtle (nee Yost) Glover: Evert Guy, Grace May, Gladys Irene, Gay, Garnet Freedom, and Annie Gwendolyn.

Grace May married Jesse Earl Linville. They have two children—Ralph Stanley, and Marion Dale.

Gladys Irene married Nelson Garner. They have one child—Gertrude Williamette.

Gay married Percy Wetzel.

Garnet Freedom married Okey Ray Lehew.

William, sixth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, was born about 1810. He married Elizabeth Pyle about 1831. The following are issue of this union: Susannah, born September 16, 1833, and died May 6, 1911; Isaac, John, William Riley, and a fifth child—dying in infancy.

Susannah was married in 1859 to Nelson Pyle. She is interred in William's cemetery near New Martinsville, W. Va.

Isaac married Mary Horner.

John married a girl from Doddridge county, W. Va.

William Riley married Margaret Rice.

Sylvester Myers, a grandson of William and Elizabeth Glover, is the author of a two-volume history of West Virginia. Each descendant of John Glover, the immigrant, and

all others who love their "Little Mountain State" should have this history in his library.

Nehemiah, seventh child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married Sarah Bartrug. They had three children—Samuel, Levi, and Ebenezer. After the death of Sarah, Nehemiah married a Mrs. Ferguson. To this second union were born two children—Malinda and Harriet. After the death of his second wife, Nehemiah married Jane Koen. To this third union were born three children—John, and two daughters.

Isaac, eighth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married Catherine Roberts. To them were born the following children: Mary, Stephen, Dorcas, Henry, and Simon.

Mary, the ninth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married Samuel Byard. They had no issue. They are buried on a farm now owned by William Troy, in the same graveyard in which Nehemiah, the first settler in that neighborhood, is buried.

Lucy, tenth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married Presley Metz. To them were born—William; Martha who married Pamech Metz; Jane who married Jacob Furbee; and Dorcas who married George Rice.

Amos, the eleventh child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married Eva Hindgardner. They had the following children: Eli, Reuben, Jessie, Delila, Rhoda, and Sylvania. The most of this family are buried in the family graveyard on Rush run, near Hundred, W. Va.

Leonard, twelfth child of Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover, married Minerva Alton. To this union were born several children whose names have not been ascertained by the author.

Nehemiah and Dorcas Glover's thirteenth child died in infancy.

This completes the record of the Glover family, in so far as we have been able to obtain information, in which are interwoven the Ash and Bartrug families.

The father of John G. Ash, who married Dorcas, second child of Samuel and Elizabeth (nee Bartrug) Glover, was Jacob—son of Christopher Ash.

Jacob married Isabella Marsh. Christopher married Liby—daughter of William and Mary and granddaughter of John Swiger.

The Ash family is of German ancestry. In "Rupps 30,000 names," page 224, is mentioned Nicholas Ash arriving in this country from Alsace-Lorraine on September 4, 1754. He is probably the progenitor of Christopher, since he is the only member of this family who came to this country from Germany and settled in Pennsylvania from whence came the descendants of Christopher.

In "Rupps 30,000 names" is also mentioned the name of Philip Swiger arriving in this country from Germany on Oc-

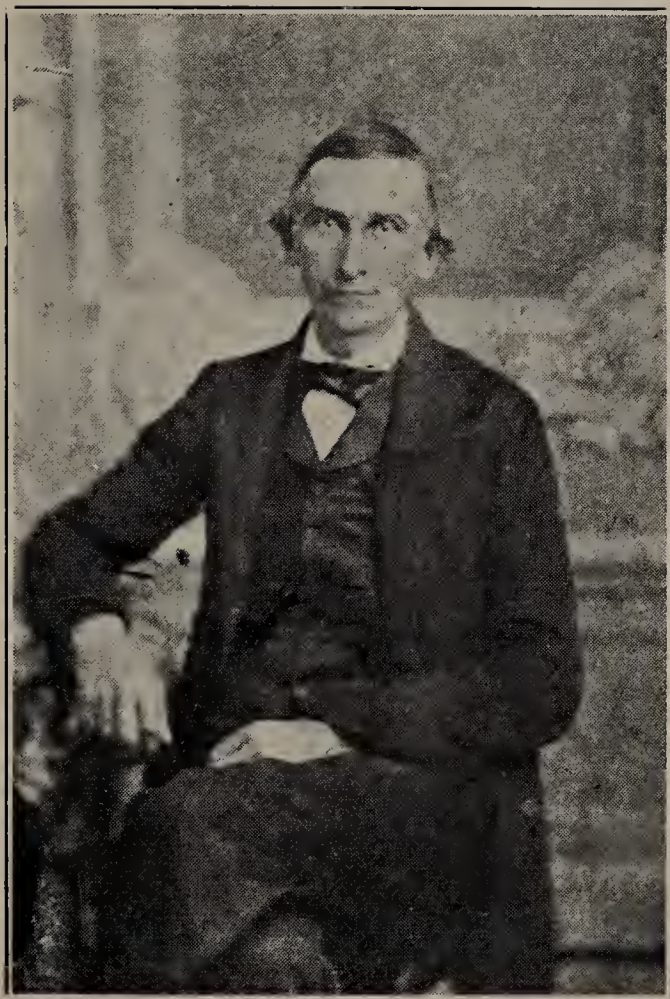
tober 7, 1749. According to tradition this was one of the prominent families of the German empire.

It is an established fact that John Swiger was a native of Germany and that sometime previous to the Revolutionary war he immigrated to this country and settled near the city of Philadelphia, Pa. He died soon after the war. Before and during the war he was engaged in the mercantile business in Philadelphia and in this way came into possession of a great deal of Continental money. His executors invested in a large tract of land in Barbour county, West Virginia—this being the only way in which the government would redeem this money. Due to negligence on the part of his heirs to look after and pay taxes and revenues, this land reverted to the government.

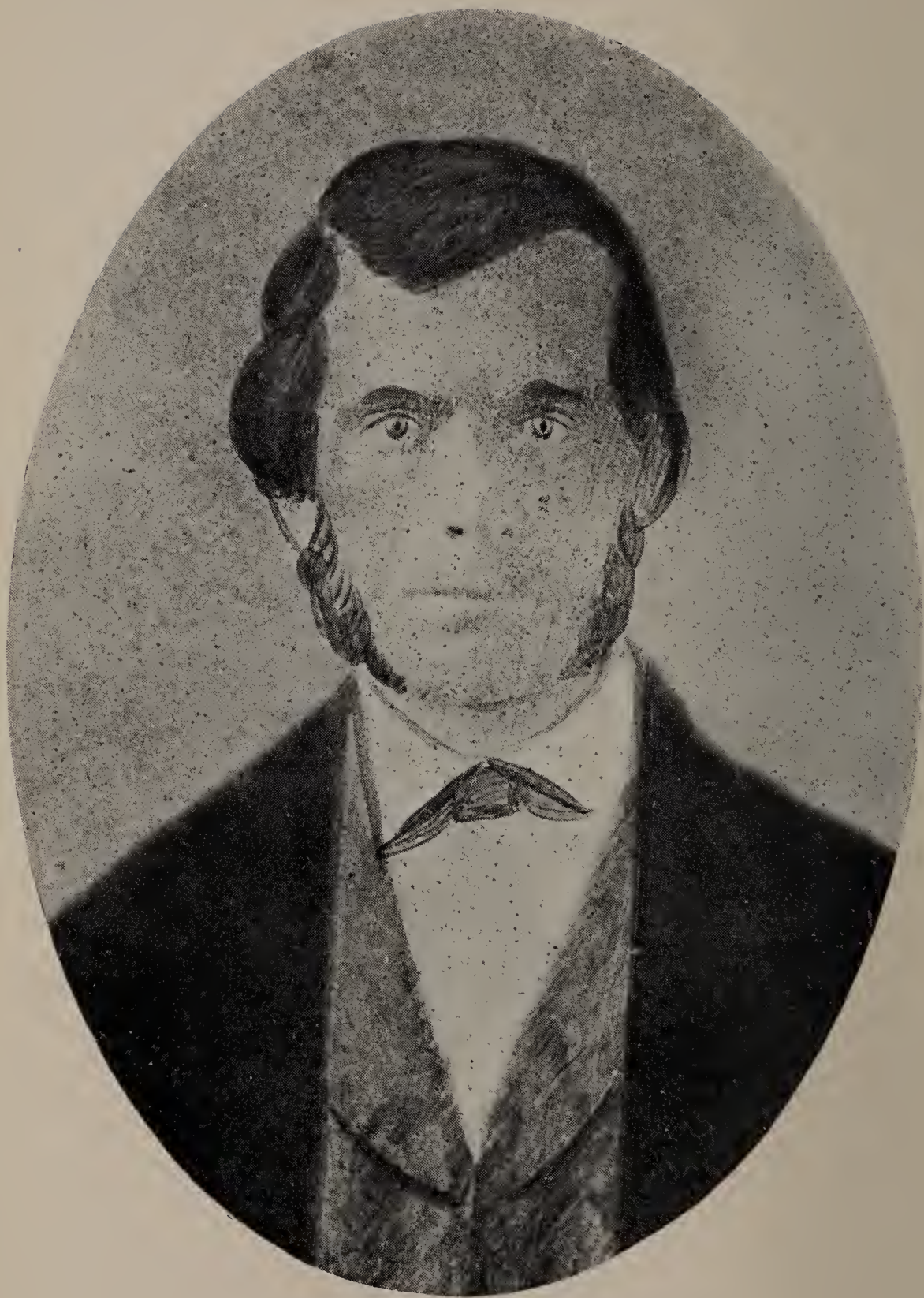
John Swiger was the father of three sons and two daughters, as follows: John, jr., Jacob, Christopher, Mary, and Elizabeth. Jacob later became a farmer in Harrison county, West Virginia, and Christopher settled in Doddridge county, West Virginia.

John, jr., was born in Philadelphia in 1759. After his death, Mrs. Swiger and the children went to Green county, Pennsylvania, where she married Benjamin Hoffman and reared a large family.

This family was among the pioneer settlers of Green county, Pa.—living there when the Indians still roamed around that part of the state.



HENRY MITTON
(1818-1881)



JACOB M. MITTONG
(1821-1897)



LOUISA (nee Clark) MITTONG



Bottom row left to right:

LAURA REBECCA (nee Kelley) MITTONG, MARY MITTONG, GEO. W. G. MITTONG.

Second row:

WANTA (nee May) MITTONG, BLANCH (nee Lonegon) MITTONG, LETA (nee Arnold) MITTONG, MAYRE (nee Bromich) MITTONG, LIZZIE DUNCAN (colored maid).

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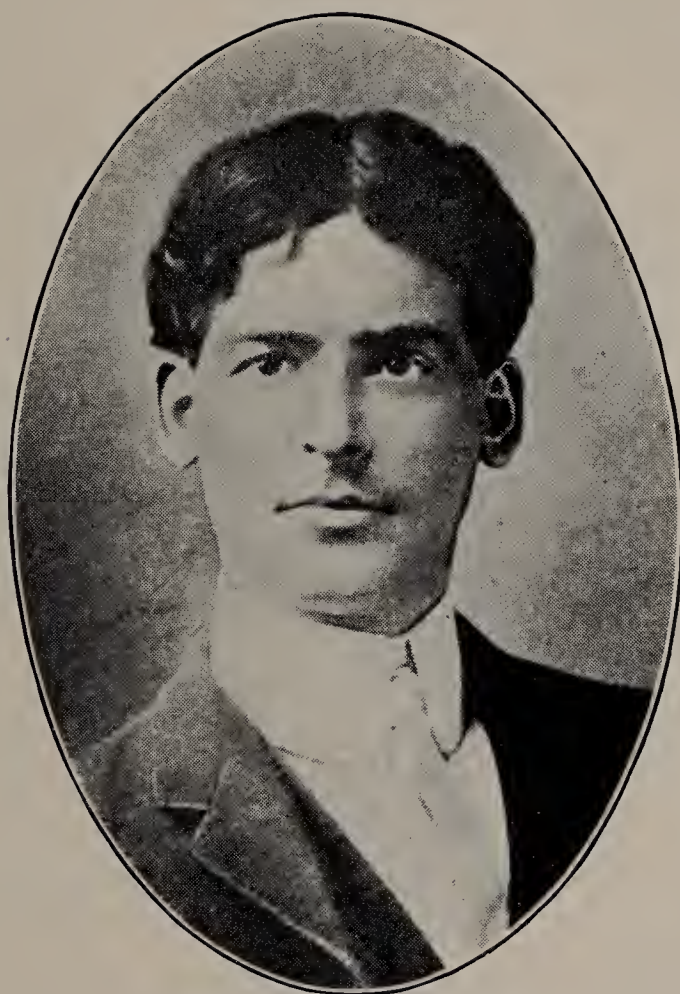
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JACOB EDWARD and CARRIE (nee Solsbee) BARTRUG.
Children left to right.
KEOTA RUTH, ALFRED, HALLIE and HARRIET LOUISE.



JOSEPH TYLER and CARRIE ADALINE (nee Glover) BARTRUG,
and daughters GERTRUDE and GENEVIEVE.



JOHN N. BARTRUG
(1879-1918)



OLA PEARL (nee Byard) BARTRUG and children KENNETH FRANCIS, MILDRED
LOUISE, MARION IVAN, DORIS MAE and JOHN WESLEY.



ABRAHAM EARLY BARTRUG
(1888-1910)



LILA LEE, adopted daughter of
Wm. David and Beulah Baker.



JOHN H. CLARK (1814-1904) and wife MARY E. CLARK
(1848-1891)



CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS WILSON and wife MANDILLA
(nee Mittong) WILSON (1854-1924)



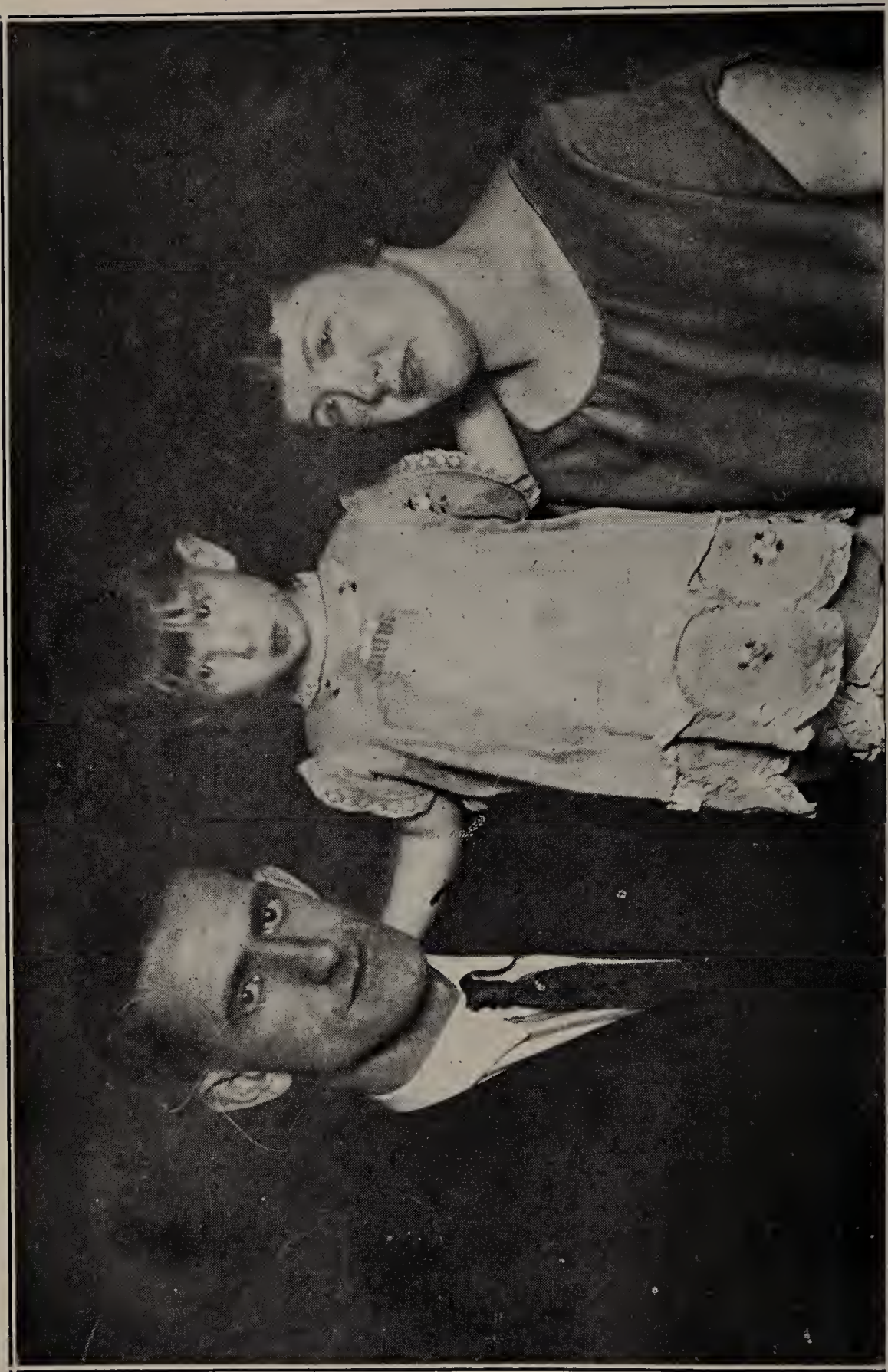
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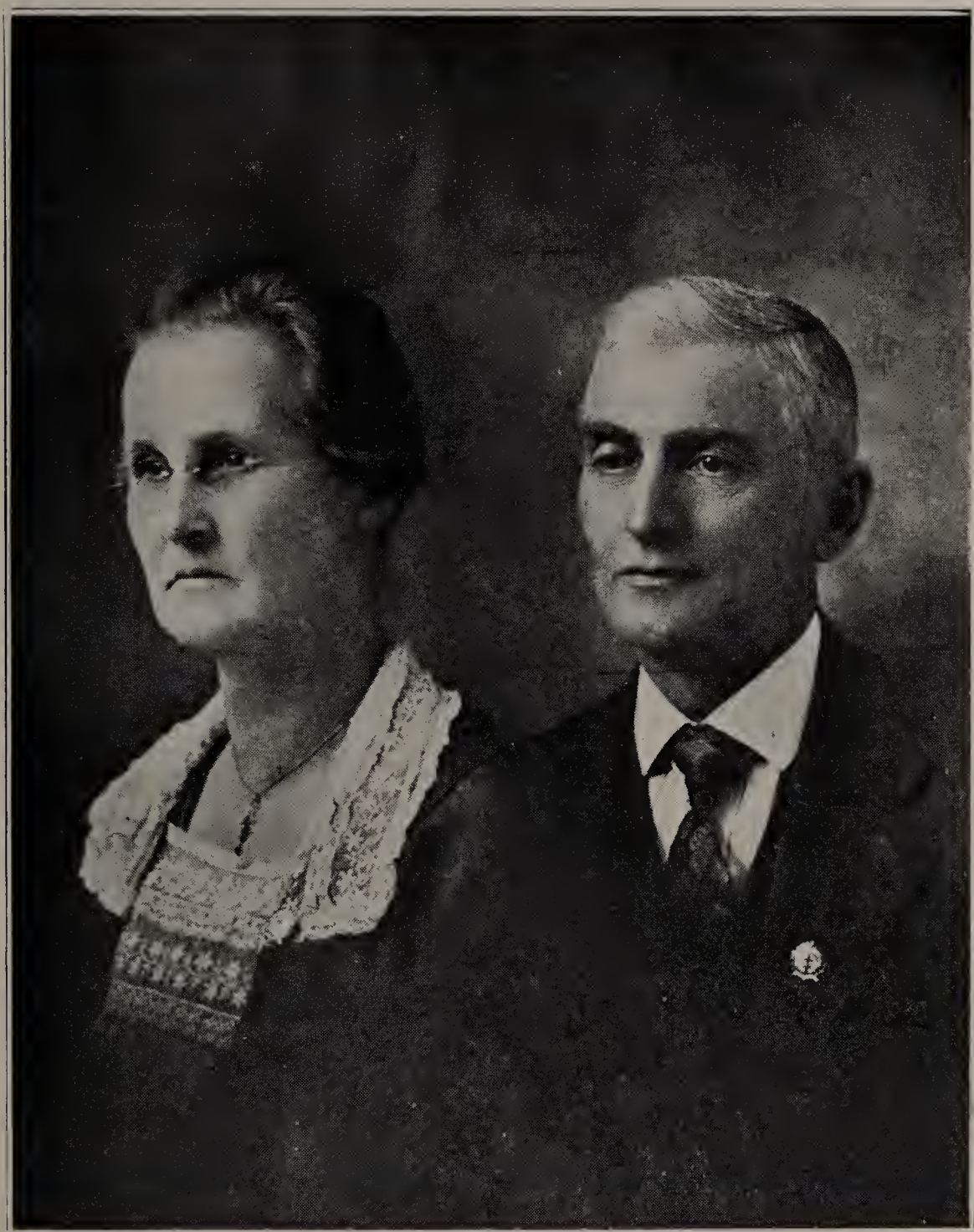
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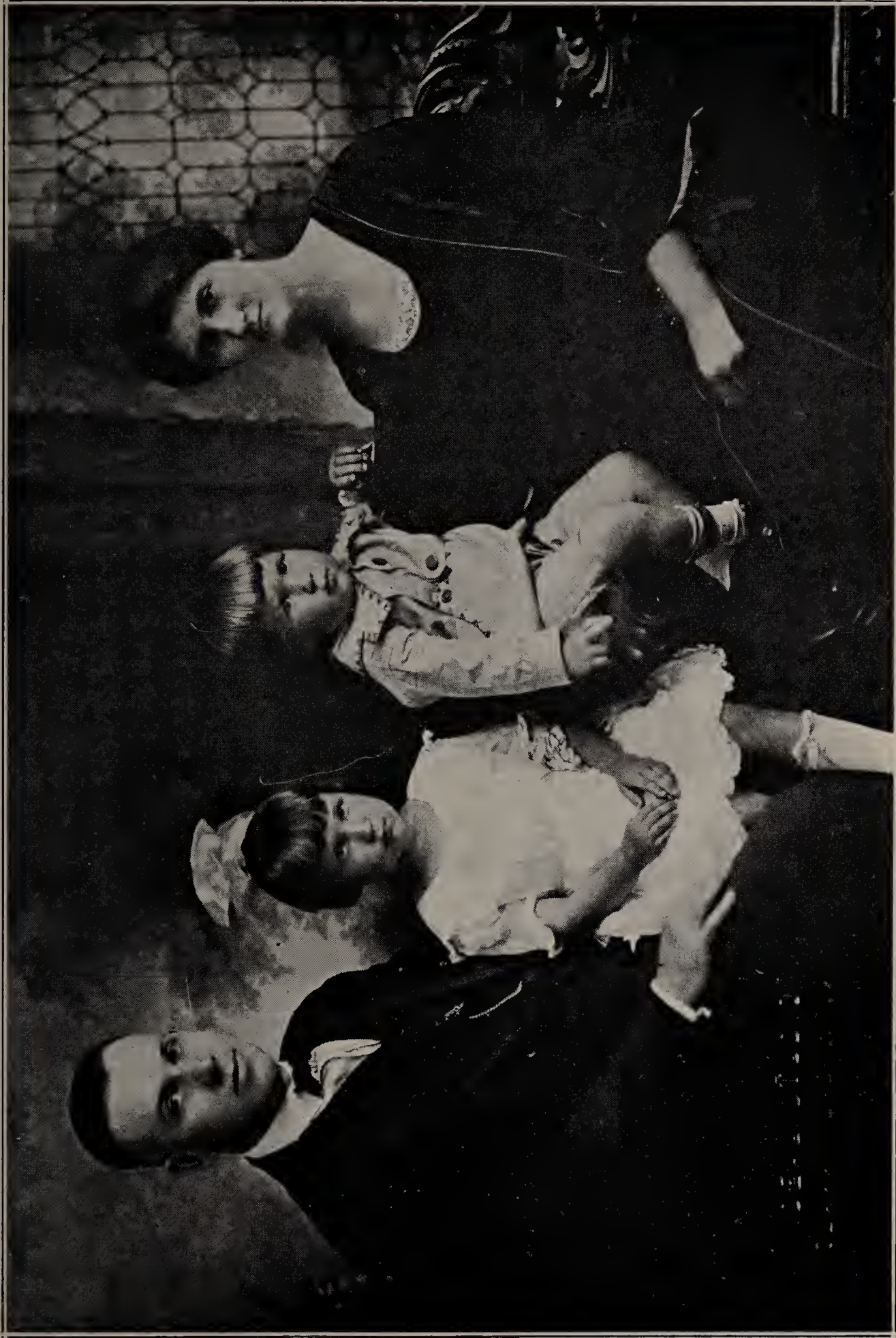
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WM. E. and ESSIE J. (nee Mittong) ROBINSON and children, WILBER MITTONG, ELIZABETH
FRANCES, and RICHARD DALE.



OTIS C. and HAZEL B. (nee Mittong) LOOMAN and children, HELEN WINFRED and
DOBBET HARRISON



GRANVILLE T. and HELEN (nee Mittong) KNIGHT and children, ROSMOND EILEEN and
HARRY DALE.



ALBERT M. and ELIZABETH (nee Mittong)
ROWAND



GROVER EDGAR ROWAND



ROMA GLADYS (nee Moore)
ROWAND



ROMA IMOGENE and ROBERT EDGAR, children of
G. E. and Gladys Rowand.



ELIZABETH ALICE WILSON, MARGUERITE LEONA
HAWKINS, JOSEPHINE CORA WILSON, and
JUANITA NAOMI WILSON, daughters of
Ellen (nee Rowand) Hawkins, Wilson.



AGNES ORVETTA, MARGARET ELEANOR, and
ELIZABETH MAE, daughters of Herbert and
Mae (nee Rowand) Thomas.



Five Generations.

JOSEPH H. ROWAND, JOHN W. ROWAND, ALBERT M. ROWAND,
ELLEN (nee Rowand) HAWKINS, WILSON, MARGUERITE
HAWKINS, and ELIZABETH WILSON.



Four Generations.
SARAH JANE (nee Talkington) BROOKE, ELIZA-
BETH (nee Brooke) MITTONG, CURTIS O.,
and MILDRED MITTONG.



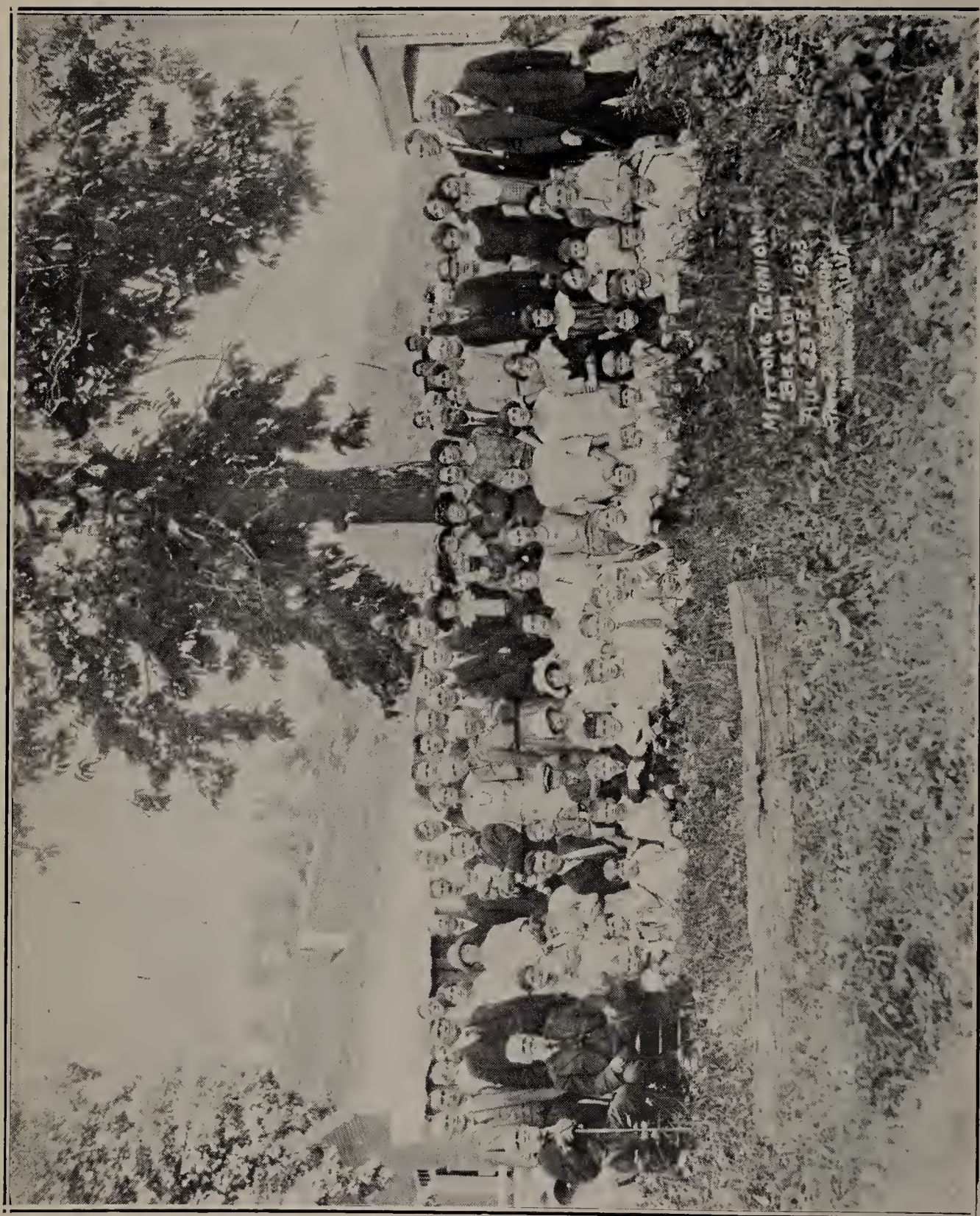
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WILSON, and WM. JACKSON WILSON.



Couples left to right:

C. C. and MANDILLA (nee Mittong) WILSON, JOHN and MARY
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(nee Mittong) ROWAND.



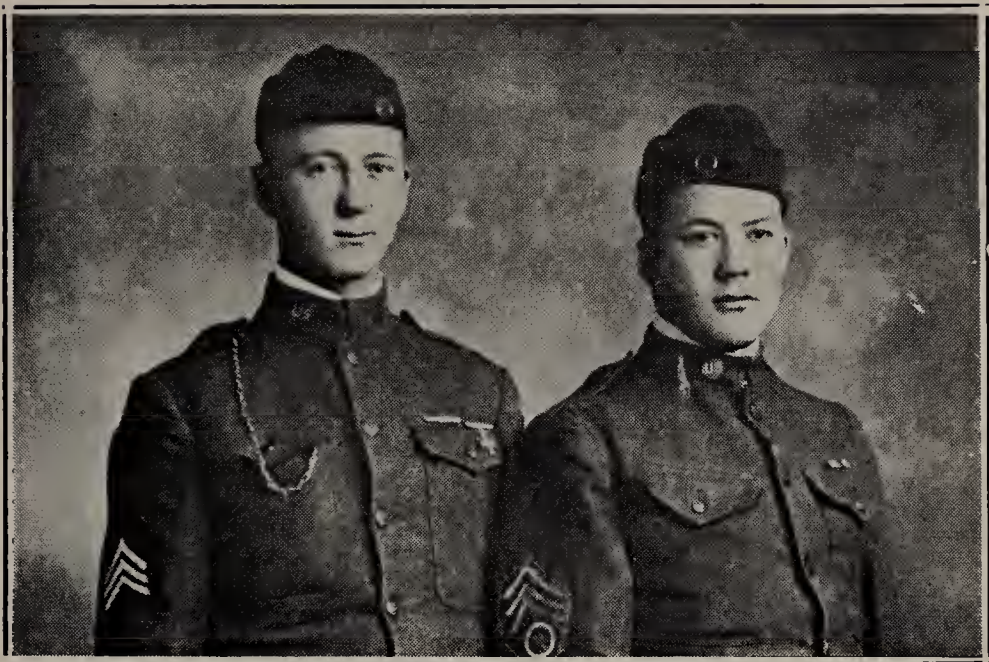
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SGT. HALLIE BARTRUG and
SGT. ALFRED BARTRUG.



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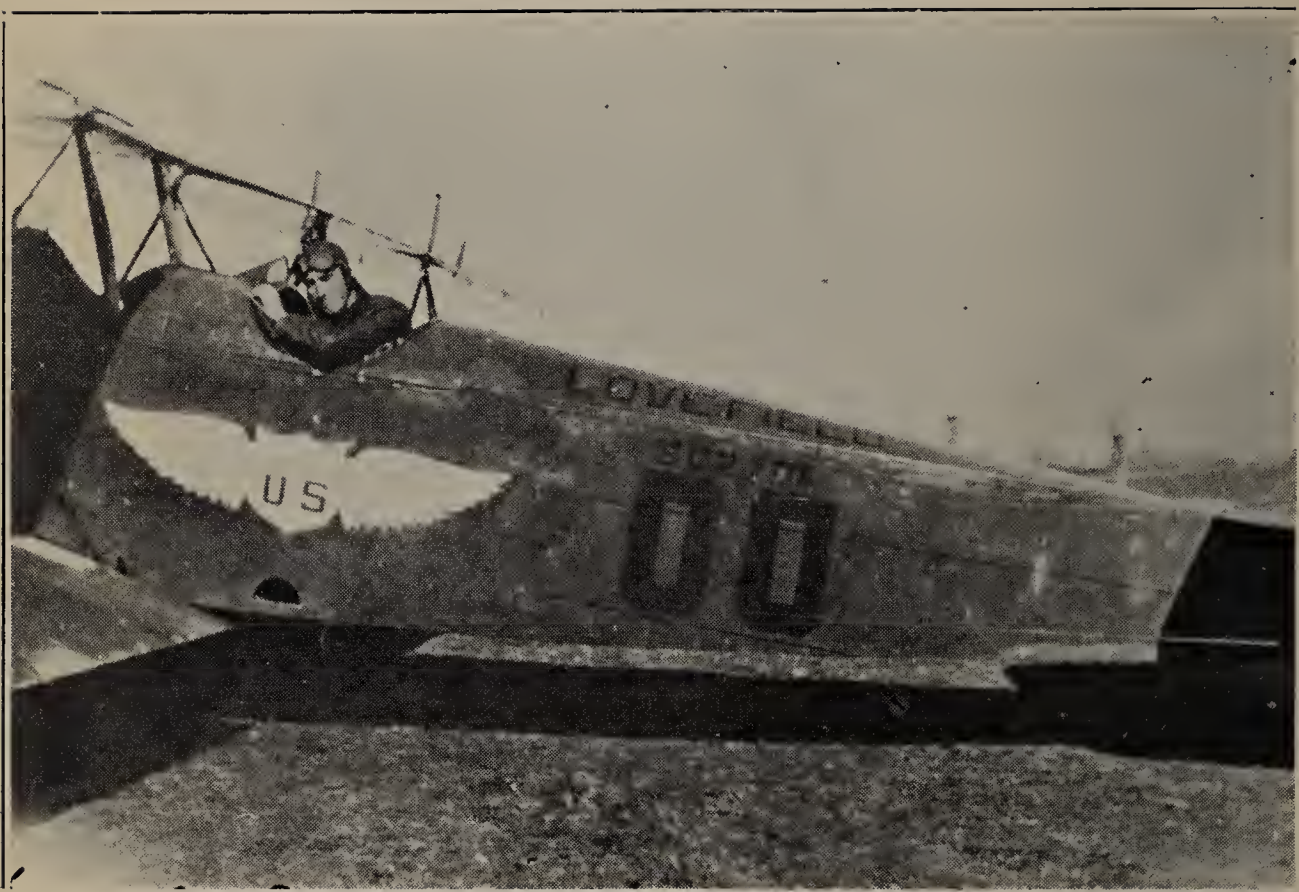
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SGT. LAWRENCE EARLY WILSON



CHARLES LONNEL WILSON

CHAPTER IV

THE MOCK FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

The Mock family in whom we are interested begins with the immigrant, Peter Mock. He was born in Germany. Some say that he was born in Würtemberg and immigrated to America while he was still quite young.

Concerning his immigration, traditional accounts vary. Some say that he came over with three brothers; some say five; and some say that he came along with his parents.

After searching through all records, many of which contain complete accounts of all immigrants over sixteen years of age, nothing could be found as to the actual date he arrived. He, therefore, must have been under sixteen years of age, in which case he would have to be accompanied by elder brothers or by his parents.

In searching through records of this family, their name was found to have been spelled, "Mauk", "Mauck", "Mook", "Mock", or "Moak".

In summing up all information obtained from immigrant records, it is evident that: since Peter Mock was born in the year 1742, he came over before he was sixteen years old or prior to 1758, otherwise his name would have appeared on an immigrant record.

According to "The Pennsylvania Archives", and also "Rupps 30,000 Names" of German settlers in Pennsylvania, we find the following immigrants: Henrich Mock (Henrich being a common family name) arrived here from Germany September 28, 1749; Christian Mock (Christian being another common family name) arrived here from Germany September 5, 1751; Hans Martin Mock arrived September 23, 1752; Hans Georg Mock arrived October 23, 1752; and John Corinth Mock arrived September 14, 1754. One of these five Mocks must have been either the father or brother of Peter, who was our oldest ancestor in America.

Many of the accounts of the life of Peter Mock are traditional—having been related by the third generation from him.

Mrs. Adam Exline of Imler, Pa.—daughter of Andrew Mock, granddaughter of Jacob Mock and great-granddaughter of Peter Mock—relates the following account as having been told by and handed down from the children of Peter Mock. She tells this story as it was told to her by her Grandaunt Sarah who was a granddaughter of Peter Mock:

"Peter Mock immigrated to this country in the care of his parents while he was yet quite young. When they came each

family had to furnish its own rations. On their way over they were thrown out of their course by heavy winds and were three months crossing the ocean. They ran out of rations before landing in Philadelphia. The father of this family knowing the danger of overeating after having been without food for sometime, cautioned his children not to eat anything until he could find suitable food for them. While the parent was in search of light food, the children in some way obtained some peaches and, as the story runs, ate seeds and all. Peter Mock—our immigrant ancestor—was supposed to have been one of these children.”

Another story related by Mrs. Exline is as follows: “Peter Mock who was born in Germany learned to speak the English language while serving in the Revolutionary war. On one of his visits home during his war service he wanted to surprise his wife whose native tongue was English—she having been born and reared in the United States. Arriving home late one night he awoke her, told her whom he was, and asked to be admitted—speaking all the while in English. His wife refused to open the door—not believing it to be he—until after he had spoken to her in the German language.”

Another story as related by and handed down from David Mock, who was a son of Michael Mock, grandson of David Mock and great-grandson of Peter Mock is as follows: “Peter Mock immigrated to this country from Holland, accompanied by six brothers, and settled in the Conococheague valley, Maryland. He later left this valley—going to Pennsylvania—and settled on what is known as “Hominy Hills.”

R. B. Mock, of East Freedom, Pa.—son of Henry—and Chas. R. Mock, an attorney of Bedford, Pa.—son of Samuel—both, grandsons of David Mock and great-grandsons of Peter Mock, are of the opinion, after a thorough investigation, that Peter Mock came to this country in company with two brothers, landed at Philadelphia, and settled in the Conococheague valley, Md. Here he married and later went to Bedford county, Pa., and purchased a farm known as “Hominy Hills”—a place so called by the Indians because there was at one time a mill located on this hill which was used for grinding corn into hominy and to which the Indians went for miles around.

The site of Ft. Bedford is situate not far from Hominy Hills. This fort was built in 1757 by the advance forces of Gen. John Forbes during his campaign against the French and Indians at Ft. Duquesne.

According to the “History of Bedford County, Pa.,” Peter Mock with his family moved from Maryland and settled at a place now called Pavia, in Bedford township, Bedford county, Pa. Finding the land swampy at this place he soon moved

away and during the Revolutionary war was living somewhere in this township.

There is no record of him in the Conococheague valley, Maryland, which at that time was in Frederick county. Frederick county was formed in 1740 and that part of the Conococheague valley in which Peter Mock was supposed to have settled remained in this county until 1768 when it became a part of Washington county. There were no marriage records kept in these counties prior to 1768.

Of the three brothers who came over together, one was supposed to have gone to Virginia; one to Maryland; and Peter, to Bedford county, Pa.

In warrants of land in Bedford county, Peter Mock purchased 100 acres on February 8, 1794, and an additional 400 acres on September 11, 1794.

Peter Mock married while living in Maryland. Two of his children—and probably a third—were born there.

He married E. (?) about 1765. Mrs. E. (nee ?) Mock was born in 1747 and died in 1813. She was of German parentage. Some think that her maiden name was Garn. This supposition is due probably to the fact that the Mock and Garn families seem to be closely connected both in names and places of residence.

Peter Mock was born in Germany in 1742 and died in Bedford county, Pa., in 1817. About his Revolutionary war record, nothing authentic could be obtained. However, family tradition coming down from various sources says that he served in the militia during this war. This the author is inclined to believe. His name is mentioned on page 24, vol. 3, Pennsylvania archives, 6th series, in "List of Inhabitants of Bedford Township", taken by Ephriam Williams on the third day of February, 1789, made subject to the militia laws of this state.

This might indicate that he served in this war. However, there is some doubt as to whether this list—taken by Williams—included only names of men already in the militia or whether it was a list of only those who were subject to militia duty. This list having been compiled in 1789, together with the many traditional stories of his service in this war, would lead one, especially his descendants, to believe that he saw actual service.

The Pennsylvania archives as well as those in Maryland and also the Revolutionary war pay-rolls were examined but nothing was found which would indicate that he served in this war.

Following is a verbatim copy of the patent received by Peter Mock:

1204261

“The

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

John Cochran, Sec'y. Ld. Office

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings: Know ye, that in consideration of the monies paid Edmond Milne for the warrant hereinafter mentioned and of five dollars and twenty-seven cents in full since paid by Peter Mock into the Treasurer's Office of this Commonwealth, there is granted, by the said Commonwealth, unto the said Peter Mock a certain tract of land, with the appurtenances, Situate in St. Clair Township, Bedford County beginning at a post, thence by Peter Mock Junrs. land, North sixty-four degrees West, one hundred seventy-eight perches to a post, thence by vacant land, South thirty-six degrees West, ninety-two perches to a Chestnut oak, South seventeen degrees West, one hundred sixty-nine perches to a pine, South eleven degrees East, two hundred twenty-two perches to a post, thence by land of James Caldwell, South nineteen degrees East, twelve perches to a Red oak, South eighty-eight degrees East, fifty-eight perches to a post, thence by land of Col. Henry Boquet, North twenty-seven degrees East, seventy-eight perches to a Spanish oak, South eighty-one degrees East, forty-three perches to a White oak, North thirty-seven degrees East, eighty-six perches to a White oak, thence by land of Peter Mock, North eighty degrees West, sixty-three perches to a White oak, North twenty-seven degrees West, fifty-six perches to a pine, North nineteen degrees East, one hundred ten perches to a Post, South seventy-eight degrees East, fifty-two perches to a Post, and thence by land of Col. Henry Boquet, North sixteen degrees East, one hundred nine perches to the beginning, containing four hundred twenty-four Acres and allowance of six pr. & ca.

Which said tract was surveyed in pursuance of a warrant dated the 8th February 1794, granted to the said Edmond Milne, who by deed dated the 2nd July 1795, conveyed the same to Peter Mock. To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land, with the appurtenances, unto the said Peter Mock and his heirs to the use of him the said Peter Mock his heirs and assigns forever, ... Free and clear of all restrictions and reservations, as to mines, Royalties, Quit-rents, or otherwise, excepting and reserving only the fifth part of all Gold and Silver Ore for the use of this Commonwealth to be delivered at the Pit's mouth, clear of all charges.

In witness whereof John Cochran, Secretary of the Land Office, of said Commonwealth, hath hereto set his Hand and the Seal of the Land Office of Pennsylvania hath been hereunto affixed, the first day of March in the year of our Lord one

thousand eight hundred and eleven and of the Commonwealth the thirty-fifth.

Attest: Richard M. Crain Deputy Sec'y. Ld. Office.

This farm was visited by the author and his brother, Jas. E. Wilson, during the autumn of 1922 while on a tour through Pennsylvania and Maryland in search for records of the Mock family. Our time being limited, we failed to locate the private graveyard in which Peter Mock and his wife are buried but were told afterwards by R. B. (Bunn) Mock who did locate it that we were within one hundred yards of this graveyard.

We drove to the summit of Hominy hill, on one end of which is situate the farm of Peter Mock, jr. Here we found the burial place of Peter Mock, jr., and his family. In this small graveyard we found graves marked as follows:

C. M. died June 4, 1856, ag. 80 y., 1 M., 26 D.;

P. Mock, aged 60 Y., 1826; and

1813 P. (pine tree carved) Mo. 13

There were two other small unmarked graves and possibly others but to the eye there was evidence of only these five.

We are unable to interpret the meaning of the carved pine tree. These graves are very much neglected and, since they are located on the brow of a hill which is not used for farming or other purposes, could be preserved with very little effort on the part of the descendants of this branch of the Mock family.

In the private graveyard of Peter Mock, sr., are the following marked graves—this information having been obtained and given to the author by R. B. (Bunn) Mock who is a son of Henry Mock and great-grandson of Peter Mock:

P. M. 1817—75—February 18;

E. M. 66—1813;

1811;

1814;

October xxii D. M. 1814

F.+M. 1812; and one large, unmarked grave which, according to tradition, is that of an Indian.

Following are the children of Peter Mock the immigrant and his wife E. Mock:

Peter, jr., born 1766, died 1826;

Adam, born (?), died (?);

Paul, born Dec. 4, 1772, died Aug. 13, 1839;

Fanny, born (?), died (?);

Jacob, born 1773, died March 10, 1853;

John, born (?), died (?);

David, born 1777, died Feb. 8, 1848;

Christopher, born May 19, 1782, died May 23, 1855; and

George, born April 15, 1795, died Feb. 1, 1868.

Peter Mock, jr., was born in Maryland. He married Catherine (?). She was born April 8, 1776, and died June 4, 1856.

Paul Mauk, son of Peter Mock, sr., used the name "Mauk" instead of "Mock". He married Dorothy (?). She was born January 8, 1775, and died March 5, 1850. Jacob, son of Paul and Dorothy Mauk, was born March 11, 1793, and died February 6, 1861, married Elizabeth (?) who was born May 30, 1796, and died May 13, 1863.

Fanny, the only daughter of Peter Mock, sr., married Frederick Carn. They had the following issue: George; Christopher who was born January 8, 1799, and died February 16, 1882; Catherine, Molly, Sarah, Henry, and Hannah.

Jacob Mock was married twice: first to a Berkheimer and secondly, to a Beckley. Following are the children of Jacob Mock: Elizabeth who was born January 12, 1792, and died October 15, 1876, married Jacob Beisel who was born January 19, 1785, and died December 18, 1866; Philip who was born in 1794; Barbara who never married; John, Jacob; Paul who married and had issue; Andrew who was born February 29, 1804, and died September 24, 1875; Susannah who was born October 4, 1806, and died November 26, 1870, married her cousin—Henry D. Mock; Peter, Sarah, George, and Catherine.

Andrew, son of Jacob Mock, married Rebecca (?) and had the following issue: Thomas, Jennings; Barbara who married Peter Mock; Catherine who was the second wife of Henry D. Mock; and Miriam Martha who was born December 19, 1851, and died April 26, 1924. Miriam Martha married Adam Exline.

Very little is known about any of the children of Peter Mock, sr., except Jacob and David.

Jacob Mock, as related by Mrs. Adam Exline who is one of his many grandchildren, lived at the foot of the Allegheny mountains on the Johnstown road where there were large sugar groves. Here the natives came each spring to boil the sap of sugar maple into syrup.

Andrew, son of Jacob and father of Mrs. Exline, had to travel ten or twelve miles to school. There being no free schools at that time, he went to a German school.

At that time, which was about 1815, wild beasts of many kinds roamed around that part of the mountains. Mrs. Exline's Uncle Jacob, who was a son of Jacob, sr., shot fourteen bears during one autumn. One day he killed a deer. During the night he took the offal of the deer and placed it near a hole which he dug in the ground in order to decoy the wolves. Concealing himself close-by, he shot them as they came near until he had killed seven. After missing one the rest escaped. This shows that the lives of our ancestors in that part of the

country were always in jeopardy because of the wild beasts of the forest as well as the presence of Indians.

Near a point at the foot of the mountain where one starts to ascend on the Johnstown road, Jacob Mock kept horses and would assist travelers over the mountain on their way from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh. This place was later owned by a Mr. McDonell. Jacob Mock and his wife are buried in a small family plot near this place. There are no markers at their graves.

David Mock, son of Peter the immigrant, was born in 1777 and died February 8, 1848. He married Elizabeth Bowser who was a daughter of Jacob Bowser. She was born in 1770 and died May 21, 1863. David was probably born in Bedford township, Bedford county, Pa., since his father was living in this township during the Revolutionary war.

Very little could be learned about the early life of David. The story has been handed down that: when traveling from their home in Bedford county to the Conococheague valley for flour or to Hagerstown, Md., for salt, powder, and sugar, he and his brothers were in the habit of stopping at the home of Jacob Bowser on their trips both going and coming. Some say that Jacob Bowser lived at Flint Stone, Md. In this way David and Elizabeth became attached to each other—spending many pleasant evenings together which ripened into friendship, love, and later, marriage.

We next hear of David in Bedford county history. In the year 1820 he, with his family, moved from Bedford, Pa., to a farm situate about two and one-half miles west of the present borough of Pavia. Here David and Elizabeth lived the rest of their life. They are both buried on this farm and the inscriptions on their tombstones are still quite legible. This farm is now occupied by Stewart Mock who is a son of Solomon, grandson of Michael and great-grandson of David Mock.

On David's tombstone we find the following inscription: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." On Elizabeth's tombstone: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

A very valuable genealogy of the Bowser family, written by the Rev. A. B. Bowser of Jersey Shore, Pa., was completed in the year 1922.

While we are descendants from the same branch of Bowsters mentioned in Rev. Bowser's book, he did not show the actual connection, neither are we able thus far to do so.

Family tradition says that Elizabeth Bowser was a sister of Dr. Noah Bowser but this is doubtful since Rev. Bowser in his book has named all the sisters of Noah Bowser while Elizabeth's name is not included. However he shows that Noah had a brother, Jacob, and in listing the children of Jacob,

Elizabeth is not included, but it is possible that this Jacob, or Jacob, son of Mathias, sr., was the father of Elizabeth Bowser.

On the trip to Bedford county where the author and his brother, James E., went in 1922 in search for information for this book, we found, after talking with several of the Bowser families, that most of them claimed relationship to the Elizabeth Bowser who married David Mock, but there were none who could show the direct connection.

In "Pennsylvania Archives", 2nd series, vol. 17, also in "Rupps 30,000 Names", page 78, is found the names of foreigners who took the "Oath of Allegiance" to the province of Pa.: Palatine, September 28, 1733; "Brigatine, Richard and Elizabeth, Christopher Clymer, Master from Rotterdam, last from Plymouth." Passengers 44, males above sixteen, 34 females above 16, and 24 males and 35 females under sixteen. Our ancestors on this ship are as follows: Mathias Bausser, sr.—aged 63; Mathias Bausser, jr.—aged 22; Christian Bausser—aged 18, and Daniel Bausser, under sixteen years of age. Females: Ester Bausser, wife of Mathias, sr.—age 49; Anna Elizabeth Bausser, wife of Mathias Bausser, jr.—age 20; Jacob Bewser—age nine and one-half years; Magdaline Bewser—age seven and one-half years; Anna Marie—age 17 weeks. Some of their names are evidently misspelled by the clerk.

One of the above named Baussers is probably the ancestor of Elizabeth Bowser who married David Mock, since these are the only Baussers whose names are recorded.

Noah Bowser, whom family tradition places as a brother of Elizabeth, was born in 1750. His brother Jacob was born about 1745 and died 1834. Their father was Mathias Bausser, jr.—son of Mathias Bausser, sr.

David and Elizabeth (nee Bowser) Mock had one son, fourteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren serving in the Civil war in the Union army. Seven lost their lives and one was wounded.

Following are the children of David and Elizabeth Mock:

Sarah, born May 1, 1799, died April 1, 1892;

Mary, born August 25, 1800, died April 15, 1881;

Catherine, born Sept. 17, 1802, died May 19, 1883;

Elizabeth, born Nov. 27, 1803, died May, 1881;

Samuel, born April 5, 1805, died Sept. 29, 1891;

William, born April, 1806, died April, 1890;

Henry D., born Jan. 1, 1807, died Sept. 29, 1886;

Michael, born March 20, 1812, died May 29, 1882; and

Annie, born Jan. 8, 1823, died Oct. 12, 1884.

Sarah probably was born in Bedford, Pa. She married John Mittank. Sometime after his death she changed her name from "Mittank" to "Mittong". She is buried on a farm once owned by her son, Jacob, on State's Fork run, Marion county, W. Va.

Mary married Philip Feather who was born July 26, 1807, and died June 23, 1886. They had the following children: Michael, born May 29, 1831, and died (?); and Simon, born August 15, 1845, and died June 4, 1891.

Simon has a daughter—Mrs. J. H. Dibert—living in Pavia, Pa., from whom valuable information was obtained concerning the Mock families.

Catherine Mock married Jacob Corl who was born January 22, 1807, and died May 11, 1879. They had the following children:

Francis, born Jan. 18, 1827, died Oct. 27, 1864;

Enos, born (?), died 1909; and

Eliza, born (?), died (?).

Enos married and had issue—Rebecca, Mrs. Henry Ickes, and George.

Francis was wounded in the battle of Hatcher's run and died soon after being wounded, October 27, 1864.

Catherine and Jacob Corl, together with Mary and Philip Feather, are buried in a cemetery at Pavia, Pa.

Elizabeth Mock was married on August 6, 1822, to Christopher Mittank. Their descendants are recorded elsewhere in this book.

Samuel Mock was married in 1826 to Barbara Almsbaugh. They had the following children: William who was killed while on picket duty somewhere in Virginia during the Civil war; Angeline, Mary; Catherine who is still living and in good health when visited by the author during the autumn of 1922; Emanuel, born in 1842, and died in 1912; Samuel, jr., and Elizabeth.

Emanuel lost an arm in the Civil war.

Howard S. and Chas. R. Mock, sons of Samuel, jr., have assisted in obtaining information of the Mock families for this book. Chas. R. is an attorney in Bedford, Pa.

Concerning the above named children of Samuel Mock, sr.: William married Catherine Shull; Angeline married Joseph Taylor; Mary married John Snider; Catherine married Joseph Brown and she is living, at present—1922, in Lovely, Pa.; Emanuel married Dorothy Allison; Elizabeth married William Shoop; and Samuel married Martha Harbaugh.

William Mock was married first to Mary Almsbaugh. They had the following children: William, jr., who was killed in the battle of Bull run; David; and Michael, born January 20, 1834, and died December 16, 1905. Susan Mock of Wilkinsburg, Pa., is a daughter of Michael.

William Mock was married secondly to Mary Wertz. She was born July 24, 1806, and died May 17, 1884. They have one daughter—Mary, of Johnstown, Pa. William, who moved to Johnstown before the Johnstown flood, changed his name from "Mock" to "Mauk".

Henry D. Mock was married first, to his cousin, Susannah Mock; and secondly, to Catherine Mock. Following are the children of Henry: Jennings A., Alpha; Martha who married Asa Vacht; Richard B. who married Jane Rock; a daughter who married Henry Reisinger; and a daughter, who is living in the house which was built by Henry D. Mock more than a century ago.

While in Bedford county we visited with Richard B., son of Henry D. Mock. He left his work for a few days and accompanied us on a motor trip over Bedford county in search for records of the Mock families. He directed us to the home of his sister—Mrs. Henry Reisinger—who displayed to us a well-preserved cabinet in her home which was built by Henry and Jacob Mittong during their apprenticeship days of nearly a century ago. He then directed us to the home of another sister where his father, Henry D. Mock, had lived many years before. Here we were shown the baptismal record of Henry D. Mock. It is clearly shown in this record that the father of Elizabeth Bowser was Jacob Bowser. Several other family relics were displayed to us—some of them having been brought from Germany by our ancestors when they first came to this country.

This trip around Bedford county was instructive and delightful. Instructive, because in traveling over the ground once trod by our ancestors, tilled by them, and finally the burial ground of many of them, we learned to realize that they must have had a very important role in pioneer days when the foundation of the great commonwealth of Pennsylvania was being moulded. Delightful, because we were so graciously received and entertained by our many congenial relatives.

Michael, eighth child of David and Elizabeth Mock, married Susannah Beisel. She was born January 14, 1812, and died January 6, 1889. They are buried in the cemetery at Pavia, Pa. Michael Mock fostered Samuel Mittong—the younger brother of Henry and Jacob. Henry D., brother of Michael, fostered Henry Mittong. Following are the names of the children of Michael Mock as given by his granddaughter, Ada M. Griffith: Josiah, born January 19, 1835, died March 22, 1865; Elizabeth, Margaret; Malachi, born April 21, 1838, and died with typhoid fever in Beaufort, South Carolina, November 7, 1862; Tobias, born April 24, 1839, and died August 7, 1864, at Fort Schuyler, N. Y., from wounds received in the battle before Petersburg; Leah; David B., born January 28, 1846; Solomon B., Mary Ann; and Hannah who died in childhood.

Josiah married Rachel Whysong and they had two children—Albert, now living in Montana, and Mary Jane, who married Michael Burk.

Elizabeth married Josiah Claycomb. They had three children—all of whom died without ever having been married.

Margaret married Joseph H. Griffith. He died in 1910: Issue—Bruce, living in Wichita, Kan.; Ada M., living in Pavia, Pa.; Lavanda and Lyda both unmarried and living in Philadelphia.

Tobias married Rachel Mock. Issue, one son—Edmond E., who is married and living in Toledo, Ohio.

Leah married Gabriel Burket. Issue, eight children.

David B. is living with his youngest daughter, near Alum Bank, Pa. He married Elizabeth Colebaugh on August 13, 1864. His wife died on December 1, 1906. They had the following children: Ida and Bertha (both deceased); Wilson, Raymond, Frank; Dr. Chas. Adolpheus who is president of Western Union college at LeMars, Iowa; Stanley W. who is active in the church ministry at Warsaw, N. Y.; Summer and Clinton Bruce (both deceased) and Alberta, of Alum Bank.

David at different times occupied most of the township offices in his township. He has a son in California who is a practicing physician.

Solomon Mock married Charlotte Barefoot. They had two daughters and three sons. The daughters (both deceased) never married. Two of their sons—James and Roy—are now living in Toledo, Ohio. A third son—Stewart—is living on a farm once owned by his great-grandfather, David Mock. After the death of his first wife, Solomon married Rachel Wertz and they are living in Newey, Blair county, Pa.

Mary Ann Mock married James Horton. They had the following children: Roy who died in childhood, and Charles D. who lives with his mother in Saxon, Pa.

Annie, the ninth and last child of David and Elizabeth (nee Bowser) Mock, married Samuel Bowser. Samuel was born on April 24, 1824, and died December 20, 1896. Issue—Alexander, Michael, Mathias, Samuel, Elizabeth, Susan, and Rachel.

Sarah (nee Mock) Mittong, eldest child of David and Elizabeth Mock, and mother of Henry, Jacob and Samuel Mittong, was born into a well-to-do family. She was given the opportunity to acquire what was then considered a fairly-good education. After the death of her husband, John Mittank, his large farm was taken from her and she was left almost destitute with the care of three small children. Jacob started to work out at the age of fourteen and from that time he earned his own keep. Sarah managed to get along fairly well until her oldest son, Henry, married. She then lived with him.

The author, who was eight years old when this good woman died, remembers her as an invalid and blind. She would often ask her great-grandchildren to stand beside her bed so that she might place her hands upon their heads.

Henry H. Mittong who probably knew her as well as any of her grandchildren says that her total blindness occurred sometime during the winter of 1871. Her eyesight had been failing for sometime previous to this. One day while Henry and his father were preparing to drive to Mannington, Henry walked between the house and the pine tree in the front yard. She saw him walking there and stated afterwards that it was the last time she ever saw daylight. Upon their return she told them that her vision had entirely left her. Henry says that this left an impression upon him which he will never forget.

Nora Louise (nee Mittong) Nuzum—her great-granddaughter—has this to say: “My earliest recollection of her was that of a blind woman sitting in a rocking chair while knitting. She would drop a stitch often while knitting and would have to ask some one to pick it up for her. Soon after this she was confined to bed most of the time. I was her constant companion for almost nineteen years. Her mind was clear and her memory of things which occurred during her girlhood days was vivid. She enjoyed telling about the things she experienced during her younger years which were so different from these of today. She often told these reminiscences to entertain her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. This is one story I have heard her tell: ‘In my girlhood days Christkringle wore horns. When he came around each Christmas he would chase the children around the room until they became afraid of him.’ She told me that oftentimes when her beau came to see her, the entire family, including herself, would be retired for the night—all sleeping in a single room. In this case she would not arise to entertain him but, instead, he would sit on the foot of the bed and thus carry on their courtship.”

“She often advised me never to eat anything which young men might give me because, as she said: ‘As a girl friend and I were walking across a field, once upon a time, we met a young man who gave us an apple. We did not eat the apple but, instead, gave it to a hog which was in the field. After devouring the apple, the animal became enraged and chased the young man out of the field and he had to run very fast to escape. So you see, had we eaten the apple, we might also have become wild and chased the young man as the hog did.’

“Another story she told is this: ‘Once upon a time, while my husband and three sons were hauling hay, the two youngest—Jacob and Samuel—got into mischief and were chasing each other around the barn. They would call to her, ‘Hey! Mother, make Sam quit!’ ‘Hey! Mother, make Jake quit!’ I allowed them to keep this up for a while, pretending not to hear them. Soon they saw me approaching them—saying nothing—but fully prepared to settle their quarrel. After administering a

lashing to each of them, they never asked me to settle their quarrels again!’

‘Granny’, as we all called her, never tired of telling stories like these. During her last few years she learned to recognize people by the sound of their voices. She was quite patient during her affliction—never complaining, but often exhorting her Heavenly Father to take her home to Him. When the end came she passed away peacefully.”

The above not only gives one an insight into the life and character of “Granny” Mittong, but it is interesting because it depicts the custom of the people of her girlhood days of about 1812 to 1815.

It is only human to laud the charm of youth and adore the memory of childhood. We do this the more as we grow old and as our mind goes back in retrospect to those happy days when we were light-hearted and free from care and anxiety. We like to remember only those experiences which were pleasant and are willing to forget those which were unpleasant. Sometime, perhaps, when by our fireside we indulge in reminiscences of childhood, it might seem to children who are enjoying that moulding period of their life and even to boys and girls in their adolescence, that we often exaggerate when extolling our youth. This, perhaps, is because, like health, youth cannot be fully appreciated until one has lost it.

GETHSEMANE

“In golden youth when seems the earth
A summerland of singing mirth,
When souls are glad and hearts are light,
And not a shadow lurks in sight,
We do not know it, but there lies
Somewhere, veiled under evening skies,
A garden which we all must see—
The Garden of Gethsemane.

With joyous steps we go our ways,
Love lends a halo to our days;
Light sorrows sail like clouds afar,
We laugh and say, ‘How strong we are’.
We hurry on; and hurrying, go
Close to the borderland of woe,
That waits for you, and waits for me—
Forever waits Gethsemane.

Down shadowy lanes, across strange streams,
Bridged over by our broken dreams;
Behind the misty caps of years,
Beyond the great salt of tears,

The garden lies. Strive as you may,
You cannot miss it on your way.
All paths that have been, or shall be,
Pass somewhere through Gethsemane.

All those who journey, soon or late,
Must pass within the garden's gate;
Must kneel alone in darkness there,
And battle with some fierce despair.
God pity them who cannot say,
'Not mine but Thine', who only pray,
'Let this cup pass', and cannot see
The purpose in Gethsemane."

They who have preceded us into the Great Beyond, we trust in the care and keeping of our Heavenly Father, for we know that He loves them as He loves us. Our belief in a Hereafter comforts us. We know that when we have served our allotted time on earth, we shall all be reunited. So it is for each of us to strive, with His help, to be worthy and prepared to meet them who have passed on.

"Unveil thy bosom faithful tomb;
Take this new treasure to thy trust;
And give these sacred relics room
To slumber in the silent dust."

CHAPTER V

THE BARTRUG FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

Peter Bartrug was born about 1760 and died about 1845. He married a Wagner who was a German girl. She died in 1834. Peter and his wife are buried in the village of Cotton-town, near Burton, West Virginia.

Following are the children of Peter and Mrs. Bartrug: John, George, Daniel, Elizabeth, Mary, and Catherine.

John married Sarah Roberts and had issue—five boys and one girl.

George married Barbara Glover and had issue—four boys and five girls.

Daniel was born in 1796 and died in 1890. He married Mary Leezer, who was born in 1808 and died in 1890.

Elizabeth married Samuel Glover. Their genealogy is found in another chapter.

Mary married Stephen Roberts. They had issue—five girls and two boys.

Catherine married John Glover. He was a brother to Samuel who married Catherine's sister—Elizabeth.

Following are the children of Daniel and Mary (nee Leezer) Bartrug: Christopher, Peter, Abraham, Catherine, Christine, Jacob, Isaac, Joseph, John, Polly, Elizabeth, and Daniel.

John Bartrug was born December 25, 1844. He married Mary Louise Mittong on November 19, 1864. Mary Louise Mittong was born on November 23, 1844, and died September 18, 1920. John is living, at the present time—1926, among his children.

Following are the issue of John and Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug:

Frances Olviah, born Sept. 30, 1865;

William Henry, born May 1, 1867;

Jacob Edward, born Feb. 21, 1869;

Joseph Tyler, born May 18, 1871;

Benjamin Franklin, born March 12, 1873, died Feb. 5, 1911;

Rosa Annadell, born Jan. 12, 1875;

Jefferson Luke, born May 3, 1877, died Sept. 26, 1903;

John Napoleon, born March 5, 1879, died April 8, 1918;

Columbus Arthur, born April 27, 1881;

Clara Leon, born April 19, 1885; and

Abraham Earl, born June 14, 1888, died June 28, 1910.

Frances Olviah was married first to James Wesley James. He died in 1890. They had the following issue:

Charles Garland, born Nov. 7, 1887;
Clarence Dell, born April 11, 1889; and
Beulah Girdie, born March 4, 1891.

Charles Garland was married on March 16, 1906, to Alice Lewis. Alice was born in Oil City, Pa., August 16, 1885, and died in Clarksburg, W. Va., August 16, 1907. They had one son—Lawrence Lavern, born to them in Smithfield, W. Va., December 26, 1906. Lawrence is living at present with his grandmother in Smithfield.

For his second wife, Charles Garland married Marie Yale on July 6, 1915. Marie was born May 1, 1895.

Charles Garland was at one time an oil well driller and followed the oil rush through many states. He is at present engaged in the harness trade.

Clarence Dell James married Bessie Frances Glover on August 17, 1911. She was born April 17, 1885. Issue:

Clarence Dell, jr., born June 24, 1912;
Beulah Frances, born June 19, 1914;
Robert Gail, born Feb. 18, 1916; and
Harry Fern, born Oct. 26, 1918.

Clarence Dell is an oil well driller. He is living at present in Electra, Texas. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and his wife is a Rebekah.

The following ancestral line will show where the branch of the Glover family to which Bessie Frances (nee Glover) James belongs merges with the branch of the Glover family, mentioned in a preceding chapter and, also, how Bessie Frances' lineage is traced back to her great-grandmother—Elizabeth Bartrug—who is also the great-grandaunt of Bessie Frances' husband—Clarence Dell James.

Nehemiah, son of John Glover the immigrant, married Dorcas Koen. Their son, Samuel, married Elizabeth Bartrug. Elizabeth was a daughter of Peter Bartrug and a lineal ancestor of Bessie Frances Glover, while Daniel—a son of Peter and brother of Elizabeth—is a lineal ancestor of Clarence Dell James.

Nehemiah, son of Samuel, married Rebecca Freeland. She was born June 7, 1830, and died December 22, 1918. Issue:

James Leroy, born Oct. 2, 1853, died April 23, 1870;
F. Abraham, born May 16, 1856, died April 1, 1893;
Thomas J., born June 15, 1858;
Martha E., born May 11, 1860;
Sarah E., born April 11, 1863, died Dec. 8, 1908; and
Margaret, born July 4, 1865, died July 11, 1894.

F. Abraham Glover was married on December 3, 1876, to Sarah Jane Six. She was born March 4, 1854. Issue:

Anna, born July 2, 1879;

Thomas, born July 5, 1882;
Bessie Frances, born April 17, 1885; and
George, born Feb. 9, 1887.

The ancestral line of Jane Six is as follows: George Hannah married Mahalie Argo. Their daughter, Jane, married a Stine and had issue—Eliza Jane, who married William Henry Six. William Henry was born in Green county, Pa., and died June 26, 1898. Issue of Eliza Jane and William Henry Six—Sarah Jane, born March 4, 1854. Sarah Jane married F. Abraham Glover and they are the parents of the above-mentioned Bessie Frances (nee Glover) James.

Sarah Jane (nee Six) Glover re-married and is living at present in Missouri.

Beulah Girdie, the third child of James W. and Olviah (nee Bartrug) James, was married on July 28, 1919, to William David Baker. He was born October 27, 1893. They have an adopted daughter—Lila Lee, born March 16, 1921. William D. is a machinist by trade. They live in Electra, Texas.

Olviah (nee Bartrug) James was married secondly to Harry Lincoln Gilger on November 30, 1893. He was born March 3, 1863. Harry's father, Adam Gilger of Monroe, Pa., was born December 25, 1818, and died October 25, 1894. Adam Gilger married Lovina Neely of Monroe, Pa., on June 20, 1844. She was born August 2, 1826, and died January 8, 1923.

Harry Gilger has worked for many years in the crude oil producing fields and has followed oil rushes over many states of the union. After his marriage to Olviah James, he traveled to each new producing field—living for a short time in many localities in West Virginia. They moved from West Virginia to Oklahoma in 1906; to California in 1910; back to Oklahoma in 1911; and to Electra Texas, in 1912, where they are still living. Harry is a trades-lease foreman for an oil company. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and of the I. O. O. F. Olviah is also a member of this church and a Rebekah.

William Henry, second child of John and Mary Bartrug, was married first to Dora Ellen (nee Wyatt) Hiat on October 2, 1893. She was born December 18, 1863. Issue—Cecil C., born July 4, 1894, and Thayne Wyatt, born January 14, 1897.

Cecil C. was married in March, 1911, to Nettie B. Bell who was born December 25, 1892. Nettie is a daughter of George A. and Mary Alice (nee Dalton) Bell. Nettie was born in Furnace, W. Va. This is also the birthplace of her father and mother.

Two boys were born to Cecil and Nettie Bartrug—George Richard, March 20, 1915, and John Wyatt, November 29, 1919. Cecil is at present employed as a railroad engineman.

Thayne W. Bartrug was married on September 3, 1918, to Pauline Thurston Heiskell. She was born February 8, 1895,

in Davis, W. Va. Pauline's father, Neil Christopher Heiskell, was born September 17, 1864, at Copow Mills, Hampshire county, W. Va. He married Winfred Massie Powell who was born July 7, 1857. Thayne is at present a clerk at the Rosadale mine, near Morgantown, W. Va.

William Printers Wyatt (1822-1905) married Sydna Johnson (1819-1895). Issue—Dora Ellen who was married first to a Hiatt. Dora Ellen Hiatt had two daughters—Willa and Jessie, by her first husband.

Jacob Edward Bartrug, third child of John and Mary Bartrug, was married on July 3, 1888, to Carrie Solsbee. She was born May 21, 1872.

Carrie (nee Solsbee) Bartrug's lineage is as follows: Daniel, son of Samuel and Eleanor (nee Schindiafer) Solsbee, was born November 11, 1832, and died September 4, 1902. He married Harriet, daughter of Ezra and Malinda (nee Rodney) Southwick. Harriet was born March 6, 1835. Issue of Daniel and Harriet—Carrie Solsbee.

Issue of Jacob Edward and Carrie Bartrug:

Alfred, born Feb. 10, 1892;

Keota Ruth, born April 7, 1894;

Hallie, August 29, 1896; and

Harriet Louise, born Feb. 11, 1902.

Alfred was married on December 8, 1920, to Amanda Clausen.

Keota Ruth was married first on April 1, 1915, to Elmer Hurd. After his death she married Charles G. Loveland on January 4, 1920. They are living in Oakland, Iowa. Issue of second marriage—Hallie Alfred, born October 4, 1924.

Hallie married Lois Evans on March 12, 1920.

Harriet Louise married Elmer McGee on February 11, 1920. They are living in McClelland, Iowa, where they are managing a hotel. Issue, one son—Gerald Boyce, born June 1, 1925. Harriet is a member of the Congregational church.

Jacob and Carrie Bartrug live in Harlan, Iowa.

Joseph Tyler Bartrug was married on September 26, 1900, to Carrie Adaline Glover. She was born September 15, 1882. Issue—Gertrude Nevil, born July 6, 1901, and Naomi Genevieve, born October 10, 1907.

Gertrude Nevil was married on August 9, 1920, to Noah Messenger who was born on May 2, 1891. Issue:

Helen Maurine, born July 30, 1921;

Hester Juanita, born March 26, 1923; and

Paul Ethelbert, born August 19, 1925.

The ancestral line of Carrie Adaline (nee Glover) Bartrug is as follows: Nehemiah, son of John Glover the immigrant, married Dorcas Koen and they had a son, Isaac. Isaac married Catherine Roberts and they had a son, Simon, who married Sarah Jane Hennen in 1873. Sarah Jane was born February

3, 1853, and died March 15, 1924. Simon and Sarah Jane (nee Hennen) Glover are the parents of Carrie Adaline.

Thomas Hennen had several brothers and sisters. George was one of his brothers. Thomas had a son, John, who was born in the year 1800. John was killed by a falling tree in 1840. John had brothers, but the names of only two of them—George and Stephen—are known by the author. John married Sarah Pittsenberger and they had a son, George Nelson, born January 23, 1828, and died July 17, 1855. George Nelson was married in 1847 to Margaret Bartrug. Margaret was born January 28, 1825, and died April 25, 1888. Margaret's great-grandfather was John Glover and her grandfather was Nehemiah Glover. Nehemiah Glover was also the great-great-grandfather of Carrie Adaline (nee Glover) Bartrug.

Barbara, daughter of Nehemiah and Dorcas (nee Koen) Glover, married George, son of Peter Bartrug. George and Barbara Bartrug are the parents of Margaret.

George Bartrug was born in 1799 and died in 1865.

Sarah Jane Hennen had two brothers and one sister, as follows: John, born July 3, 1848; George Wilson, born September 7, 1850; and Levina, born May 15, 1855. Levina was married in 1872 to George Sines. One can see, therefore, that the paternal and maternal ancestral lines of Carrie Adaline (nee Glover) Bartrug merge together and also with the ancestral line of her husband, Joseph Tyler Bartrug.

Joseph Tyler and Adaline Bartrug are living at present in Middletown, Butler county, Ohio.

Bejamin Franklin Bartrug was married on June 8, 1898, to Lina Blane. She was born August 5, 1874. Franklin's accidental death occurred on February 5, 1911, while he was working at cleaning out an oil well near Junction City, Ohio. He slipped on the greasy floor and fell against what is known in oil industry parlance as, the bull-rope. The fast-moving rope carried him into the bull-wheel—his internal organs being crushed between the rope and wheel. He survived this accident only a few minutes.

The widow is living at present in New Martinsville, West Virginia. They had the following issue:

Mildred Irene, born May 9, 1899;

Maud Mae, born July 13, 1900;

Amanda Louise, born Feb. 17, 1902;

Franklin Oliver, born Sept. 18, 1903;

Harold Floyd, born August 28, 1905;

Wilma Grace, born April 13, 1907, died March 25, 1908;

Marshall Edwin, born Dec. 6, 1908;

Geneva, born May 6, 1910; and a posthumous daughter,

Verna Virginia, born June 9, 1911.

Mildred Irene was married on March 1, 1919, to Cornelius Francis Hogan. Cornelius Francis was born February 12,

1899. They have two children—Francis John, born August 1, 1920, and William Bartrug, born September 25, 1922. Francis and Irene are living at present in Texas where he is working in the oil fields.

Maud Mae was married on September 17, 1917, to Drexel M. Johnson who was born September 5, 1896. Issue:

William Burke, born Oct. 28, 1919;

Mary Louise, born Dec. 15, 1920; and

Drexel Marion, jr., born April 19, 1922.

Amanda Louise was married on September 24, 1921, to Elmer Ellsworth Miller who was born April 9, 1899. Issue, two children—Kent Francis, born October 27, 1922, and Gene Lew, born January 8, 1925. Elmer is a mouldmaker working in a glass factory.

Rosa Annadell Bartrug was married on March 5, 1894, to Jacob Lantz. He was born May 24, 1865. Jacob's father, John Lantz, was of German extraction. John Lantz was born May 8, 1829, and died in 1911. He married Sarah Bradford—an Irish girl—who was born September 3, 1830, and died December 5, 1888.

The following are issue of Jacob and Rosa Lantz:

A daughter (unnamed), born and died Dec. 30, 1894, in Burton, W. Va.;

Edith Violet, born March 29, 1896, in Wadestown, W. Va.;

Georgia Maud, born Dec. 30, 1897, in Wana, W. Va.;

Foy, born Jan. 31, 1899, in Brave, W. Va.;

Ray, born March 27, 1901, in Brave, W. Va.;

Opal Lillian, born Oct. 18, 1903, in Hundred, W. Va.;

Guy, born Dec. 9, 1908, in Burton, W. Va.;

Jacob Albert Earl, born Oct. 2, 1912, in Hollidays Cove, W. Va.;

Pearl Louise, born April 20, 1916; and

Dean Vee, born April 5, 1919, in Hollidays Cove, W. Va.

Edith Violet was married on June 24, 1914, to Dee Birkhimer who was born April 7, 1892. Dee Birkhimer's lineage is as follows: His father, John Garrison Birkhimer, was of Irish-German ancestry and was born in Pleasant county, W. Va., on January 1, 1865. He was married on August 25, 1887, to Rebecca Jane Robinson who was of French-Irish ancestry and born in Sugar valley, Pleasant county, W. Va., on March 1, 1867, and died on January 10, 1904.

Dee Birkhimer is employed in the crude oil producing industry. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. He and his wife are members of the Christian church. Their children are as follows:

Stanley Dee, born Feb. 25, 1915, in Hollidays Cove, W. Va.;

Edith Wiona, born June 11, 1917, in Ossage, Ohio;

Laddie Rutherford, born Sept. 8, 1919, in Ossage, Ohio;
Catherine, born Jan. 19, 1921, in Ossage, Ohio;
Lela Rose, born Jan. 23, 1924; and
Robert Glen, born April 24, 1925.

Georgie Maud Lantz was married on February 3, 1916, to Ralph Poe who was born April 27, 1890. Ralph's grandfather, James Poe, was born April 9, 1837. He married Eliza Carnegie who was born October 22, 1839. Eliza was a first cousin to Andrew Carnegie—the famous steel magnate—who was also known as "The Laird of Skibo". James and Eliza Poe had a son, Andrew, born in Georgetown, Pa., on June 29, 1863. Andrew was married on July 2, 1889, to Anna Blanch Lyons of Florence, Pa. She was born August 5, 1869, and died January 29, 1914. Andrew and Blanch Poe are the parents of Ralph. Ralph's father is a blacksmith by trade. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. Ralph is a salesman and a member of the K. of P. lodge.

Opal Lillian Lantz was married on July 16, 1921, to George Leroy Mendenhall who was born May 16, 1894. Issue, two children—Jean Lucill, born July 13, 1923, and Dale Duane, born November 24, 1924. The parents of George Leroy were Thomas J. and Angynetti (nee Smith) Mendenhall. Thomas J. was of German ancestry, born in July, 1850, and died June 28, 1919. He married Angynetti Smith—an Irish girl—on June 28, 1884. Angynetti was born in February, 1866. George Leroy is a machinist by trade.

Jacob and Rosa (nee Bartrug) Lantz are living at present in Hollidays Cove, W. Va. Jacob is a carpenter by trade. He is a member of the I. O. O. F.

Jefferson Luke Bartrug's accidental death occurred on September 26, 1903. So far as we have been able to learn, this accident occurred in the following manner: It seems that his coat became twisted around the spokes of a belt or balance wheel on some kind of machinery—carrying him around with it—his head striking some object—causing his death.

John Napoleon Bartrug was married on February 9, 1904, to Ola Pearl Byard who was born August 6, 1882.

The ancestral line of Ola Pearl (nee Byard) Bartrug is as follows: Jacob Metz, whose lineage is given in the genealogy of the Rowand family, married Catherine Mike. They had a daughter, Catherine, who married Samuel Byard. Samuel was still in his infancy when his father died. Samuel's mother later married a Cross and they moved to the southern part of West Virginia. Little is known about them since that time. Samuel was fostered by a Phillips who lived at that time on Miracle run, Marion county, West Virginia. Samuel died in 1859, and his wife, Catherine, died in 1887. They had a son, Marion, born September 24, 1857. Marion married Anna Neer. She was a daughter of James E. and Nancy (nee McClain)

Neer. Anna Neer was born January 27, 1858, and died September 17, 1900. Her mother died in 1886 and her father died in 1900. Ola Pearl (nee Byard) Bartrug is a daughter of Marion and Anna (nee Neer) Byard.

John Napoleon Bartrug and Ola Pearl Byard were married in the M. E. church at Benwood, W. Va., by the Rev. G. W. Bent. They lived in Benwood until August 3, 1908, when they moved to Shadyside, Ohio, where John died on April 8, 1918. Ola is still living at present in Shadyside. John united with the Baptist church in Burton, W. Va., at the age of seventeen. After moving to Shadyside he united with the M. E. church of that place and was an active member until his death. He was a member of the K. of P. lodge of Benwood, W. Va., and of the Modern Woodmen and Jr. O. U. A. M. of Burton, W. Va. He was a devoted husband and father and one of his most worthy ambitions in life was to educate and foster his children in an honorable and upright manner. Ola united with the M. E. church at the age of eighteen years and is at present an active member of that church in Shadyside. She is also a member and secretary of the Child's Welfare club and a member of the Daughters of America.

Following are the children of John Napoleon and Ola (nee Byard) Bartrug:

Kenneth Francis, born Dec. 6, 1904, in Benwood, W. Va.;
 Mildred Louise, born Aug. 17, 1906, in Benwood, W. Va.;
 John Wesley, born July 18, 1910, in Shadyside, Ohio;
 Marion Ivan, born Aug. 16, 1915, in Shadyside, Ohio; and
 Doris Mae—a posthumous daughter—born Sept. 21, 1918, in Shadyside, Ohio.

Kenneth Francis is a member of the M. E. church. He is at present employed as a locomotive engineman by the Dan Pfahl Construction company of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mildred Louise was married on January 1, 1926, to C. W. Simpson. She is a member of the M. E. church at Shadyside.

John Wesley is a member of the M. E. church at Shadyside.

“No one but a ‘Mother’ knows what that word really means;
 It plays the part of sacrifice on life and its various scenes.

‘The hand that rocks the cradle’ rules this world of care and
 strife,

And she won that fame when she became in life—
 A mother.”

Ola Bartrug.

Columbus Arthur Bartrug married Anna Myrtle Byard. She was born October 10, 1882. They are living in Burton, W. Va., and have the following issue:

Lonso Elmo, born in Burton, April 29, 1906;
 Murrel Warder, born in Burton, Sept. 8, 1908; and
 Connie Wayne, born in Burton, Sept. 19, 1911.

Clara Leon Bartrug was married in Oakland, Md., to John Lewis Ashcraft by the Rev. J. C. Ely, D. D. John L. Ashcraft was born March 17, 1894. Clara and her husband live in Burton, W. Va., and both are members of the Baptist church in that village.

In vol. 2, "History of Upper Monongalia County" by Butcher and Callahan, is found the following genealogy of the Ashcraft family: "Amos Ashcraft served in the Revolutionary war as a private—his name appearing on the pay-roll of Capt. William Haymond's company of Monongalia county militia. He was then a resident of Augusta county, Virginia, and later of Harrison county. John, son of Amos Ashcraft, resided at Bingham, Harrison county, and died when his son, Ephram was a young man. He was a farmer and married a Hess who bore him nine children. Ephram, son of John Ashcraft, was born in 1832, was a farmer, and married Malissa Parish who died in 1830 and is buried near Farmington, West Virginia.

Balsar Hess emigrated from Germany. He had a son, Jeremiah, born November 30, 1779, and died April 20, 1855. After Jeremiah's marriage to Elizabeth, daughter of Aaron Henry, he moved to Little Bingham, West Virginia.

Aaron Henry came from Winchester district, Virginia. He was of Scottish descent and of the same branch of the Henry family as was Patrick Henry of Colonial history. He died in 1824.

Jeremiah and Elizabeth (nee Henry) Hess had several children, but the name of only one—Rebecca—is known to the author. Rebecca married John Ashcraft."

It is the author's opinion that this is the same branch of the Ashcraft family to which belong the Ashcrafts who are living at present in Burton, W. Va. We cannot at present vouch for this as being a fact.

The grandfather of John Lewis Ashcraft was Jeremiah P. Ashcraft who was born in 1846 and died January 31, 1918. Jeremiah was married in the Baptist church at Burton, W. Va., in 1866, to Cardilia Brown. Cardilia was born in 1846 and died December 6, 1913. They had a son, Simon, born September 25, 1868. Simon married Sarah McFarlin. Sarah was born in 1875 and died August 27, 1921. Simon and Sarah had a son, John Lewis, who married Clara Leon Bartrug.

The following are issue of John Lewis and Clara Leon (nee Bartrug) Ashcraft:

Robert Earl, born August 12, 1914;

Charles Lewis, born Jan. 14, 1916;

Mary Rose, born Sept. 24, 1918; and

Simon Jackson, born August 30, 1920. All born in Burton, West Virginia.

Peter Bartrug, the oldest member of this family of whom we have any definite knowledge, was born in France about the year 1760. He immigrated to America when he was eighteen years of age. Family tradition as told by the older living members of this family says that he was a soldier in the American Revolutionary war. Some say that he was an officer, but no records could be found to substantiate the story that he saw any service in this war. He came over, however, during the time when the French were rushing soldiers across to succor the American colonies. He might have come as one of these soldiers and remained in this country after the war. He married a German girl, (nee Wagner), who was born in Germany near the river Rhine. They reared a large family in the village of Burton, W. Va. Peter and his wife are buried in the Burton cemetery.

Christian Leezer was born in Maryland on March 10, 1785, and died July 18, 1857. He married Nancy Champ who was born in Culpepper, England, on June 27, 1773, and died May 22, 1872. To this union was born one child—a daughter, Mary—who married Daniel Bartrug. Daniel was a son of Peter, the immigrant.

Christian Leezer had brothers and sisters. We have record of the names of only one brother—Peter—and two sisters—Catherine (Katy), and Susan (Susie).

The Champs emigrated from England to America and settled in the state of Maryland.

Nancy (nee Champ) Leezer had one brother—John Champ—who moved from Maryland to Rockingham, Va., and later to that part of Virginia which later became the state of West Virginia.

John and Mary (nee Mittong) Bartrug lived together almost fifty-six years. They celebrated their Golden Wedding on November 19, 1914, at their home near Burton, W. Va. All of their children and grandchildren were present at this jubilee, together with many of their other relatives and friends. The aged couple received many nice presents on this occasion. After marriage, John and Mary first lived in the village of Cottontown, W. Va. The greater part of their married life was spent in the vicinity of the village of Burton, W. Va. They lived for two years in Harlan, Shelby county, Iowa. They returned to West Virginia from that state in the year 1890. Mary spent many of her girlhood days with her uncle and aunt, B. F. and Olviah (nee Clark) Munson, in Cumberland, Maryland. Olviah was a sister of Mary's mother, Louise (nee Clark) Mittong.

Mary is buried in the cemetery at the Baptist church near Burton. John and Mary were members of that church for many years.

One by one our friends and relatives depart. Like "Ships that pass in the night."

"It seemeth such a little way to me
Across to that strange country—the Beyond;
And yet not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom I am so fond.
They make it seem familiar and most dear,
As journeying friends bring distant regions near.

So close it lies that when my sight is clear,
I think I almost see the gleaming strand;
I know I feel those who have gone from here,
Come near enough sometimes to touch my hand.
I often think but for our veiled eyes,
We should find Heaven round about us lies.

I cannot make it seem a day to dread,
When from this earth I shall journey out
To that still dearer country of the dead,
And join the lost ones so long dreamed about.
I love this world, yet I shall gladly go
To meet the friends who wait for me, I know.

I never stand beside a bier and see
The seal of death set on some well-loved face,
But that I think: 'One more to welcome me
When I shall cross the intervening space
Between this land and that one over there.
One more to make the strange Beyond seem fair.' "

CHAPTER VI

THE WILSON FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

The ancestors of this family came to the United States from England, Scotland, Ireland, and Germany. Although the Wilson families from these different countries are correlated through intermarriage, we find that the branch of this family whose descendants married into the Mittong family is of English descent.

The date of immigration of the English Wilsons has not been definitely determined. The first of this branch of whom we have any definite knowledge was Benjamin, who, according to Wiley's "History of Monongalia County," settled on Dent's run in that county in the year 1775. And according to family tradition, the original immigrant was Benjamin's grandfather.

For the information of future genealogists who might want to search further into this subject, we shall list a few of the English Wilsons described in other genealogies. One of these, perhaps, is of the same family as our first known ancestor, Benjamin Wilson.

As narrated by the oldest living members of this family, Benjamin and his three brothers migrated from Virginia, crossed the Allegheny mountains, and settled in Monongalia county, W. Va. No one, however, could name the district or county from which they came.

If traditional accounts be true that Benjamin's grandfather immigrated to America, it must have been about the year 1720, because traditional accounts place this immigration around that date and, also, by assuming that he was about 25 or 30 years old at that time.

In vol. 25, page 199 of the Virginia historical magazines, is found an account of the Wilsons of Princess Ann and Norfolk counties, as follows: Thomas Wilson, the immigrant from England, married a Miss Willis and settled in Princess Ann county at, or near, the Poplar grove where he reared a large family of sons and daughters. John, the oldest of this family, moved up the Chesapeake bay and settled on the Potomac river. Solomon and Willis, sons of Thomas, married in the neighborhood of their birth and reared large families. Samuel, the third son of Thomas, married a Miss Mason. Samuel died in Norfolk in 1670. His wife bore him a posthumous son (Willis), who was fostered by his Uncle Solomon. Willis was at one time clerk of the county-court and later became a sea-captain. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Benjamin Good-

rich, about 1732. Willis and Elizabeth had one son—Benjamin,—born December 26, 1733, near the mouth of the Chickahominy river. The Patrimonial estate of this Benjamin's grandfather, Benjamin Goodrich, was divided between his daughter, Elizabeth, and another daughter who married Samuel Boush of Norfolk, Va. Willis' son, Benjamin, was disappointed in not being permitted to enjoy the estate of his mother, Elizabeth, which she inherited from her father, Benjamin Goodrich.

After Willis' death in 1740, Elizabeth re-married. She transferred a part of her estate to Benjamin's stepfather and a part to his granduncle, Solomon. Benjamin's stepfather dissipated that part of the estate given to him, so that Benjamin had very meager means when he migrated to, and settled in, Cumberland county in the year about 1750. Benjamin's father, Willis Wilson, was at one time a member of the House of Burgesses in Virginia. Benjamin married Anne, daughter of James Seay. The Seays were a Huguenot family living on York river. Benjamin and Anne had seven sons and six daughters, as follows: Mary, Elizabeth, Willis, Benjamin, Anne, James, Mason, Samuel, Mathew, Alexander, Goodrich, Manuta, and Unity. Benjamin died October 27, 1814, and his wife, Anne, died April 26, 1814. They had lived together for sixty years. Anne was one year younger than her husband.

Benjamin's son, Willis, was living, on February 10, 1822, in Penrith, Cumberland county, and records taken from Willis' family Bible say that he and his wife also lived together for sixty years. Records taken from this Bible is the only information we have thus far obtained concerning this branch of the Wilson family.

The christian names of the above family of Wilsons are inherent in this family down to the present generations.

The following is another branch of the Wilson family—an account of which is found in the "William and Mary's Quarterly", vol. 20, pages 188 and 189—family of James Wilson:

Lieut. Col. James Wilson's will was dated July 24, 1693, and proved May 16, 1694. He married Elizabeth Rivers about 1692. They had the following children: John who was married on December 29, 1760, to Mary Hopper; Willis who died in 1758 and who had issue—Lemuel, Thomas, and Euphan; Thomas who was married on December 11, 1752, to Prudence Nichalson and had one son—James; Samuel, Solomon; Lemuel who married a widow—Katherine Kalsall; James who was married on August 20, 1725, to Dinah Nickason; Elizabeth who married Henry Tregany; Alpha who was married in 1706 to George Newton, jr.; Mary who was married on July 22, 1732, to Gilbert McNary; Solomon who was married on December 16, 1743, to Tabitha, daughter of Capt. George

Mason; James who married Grace Duke; Willis; Josiah who married and had issue—Pegge, John, Samuel, and James; Nathaniel, William, Malachi, Elizabeth, Mary, and Prudence. Col. James Wilson had twenty-one children as above named.

Concerning members of the two above-named families of Thomas and Lieut. Col. James Wilson: We find several officers and privates bearing these names who served in the U. S. army both before and during the American Revolution.

While we have been able to trace English Wilsons with names similar to the above, we have not, thus far, been able to connect them with the Benjamin Wilson who settled on Dent's run, in Monongalia county, Va. (now West Virginia).

The following is found in "Biographical Cyclopedia of Monongalia, Marion and Taylor Counties":

Benjamin Wilson was a native of England. He immigrated to this country at a very early date and was one of the pioneer settlers in the vicinity of Morgantown. He assisted in building one of the forts in that section. Ten of his children were born within this fort. He was accompanied to this country by four brothers—all of whom served throughout the Revolutionary war.

After civilization in this vicinity had progressed to the extent when it was reasonably safe to go beyond the protection of this fort, Benjamin moved to a place which is now the present site of Laurel Point, where he lived the rest of his life. He married Margaret Wilson and had the following children: George, Nellie, William, Elizabeth, Lydia, James, Leven, Millie, and four others who died in infancy.

The above narrative of the pioneer Wilsons has been given, perhaps, by Milton who was a son of Leven and a grandson of Benjamin Wilson. Milton probably learned this story from his father, Leven, who was one of Benjamin's younger children. This story is partly wrong; but in the main it is very important, because, even though Benjamin did not emigrate from England, it shows, according to family tradition, that his ancestor did.

We find, also, that Benjamin Wilson did not marry Margaret Wilson as told by Milton; but, instead, he married Eleanor Tomlinson—an English girl. Also, it was, according to tradition, the grandfather of Benjamin, and not he, who was the original immigrant.

In addition to the above-named children, Benjamin had two other daughters—Mary and Eleanor—and probably another son—Benjamin.

In regard to the four brothers mentioned by Milton: we find James and Josiah—two bachelor brothers—and William; but the name of the fourth could not be ascertained.

In "History of Monongalia County", by Samuel T. Wiley, is mentioned names of first settlers, as follows: Grant dis-

trict, Jacob Barker—1773, Benjamin Wilson—1775, Joseph Barker—1775, and John Barker—1775; In Clinton district, two brothers, James and Josiah Wilson—both bachelors—took land sometime prior to 1777. These two bachelor brothers, together with Benjamin and William, were all brothers and pioneer settlers in Monongalia county. The identification of these four Wilsons as having been brothers is shown in Chalkey's "Annals of Augusta County" in which he mentions a lawsuit of the wife of William Wilson against the three brothers—Benjamin, James, and Josiah Wilson.

No Revolutionary war-records have so far been found concerning the above-named brothers. They were, perhaps, in the militia at that time and acting as protectors to the early settlers against attacks by the Indians.

George Wilson settled on Dent's run, Monongalia county, in the year 1773. He might have been related to Benjamin, who settled in that county in 1775, but, so far, we have not been able to verify their relationship.

Among those who had taxable property in Monongalia county in 1786 were: Joseph, James, and John Barker; Isaac and John Hall; Benjamin Sutton; and Josiah, Joseph, James S., and Benjamin Wilson.

The following account of Benjamin Wilson has been related to the author by several people, each of whom has told it a little differently from the others, but all agreeing on the main points. The account given below is as told by Wesley who was a son of Humphry Becket, grandson of William, and great-grandson of Benjamin Wilson.

"Benjamin Wilson came across the mountains and settled near Fort Morgan. One day while he was cultivating his corn, his horse stopped and turned around before they had reached the end of the row. He did not give this any thought, since they were so near to the end. On the next trip around, the horse did the same, but farther from the end. He hurried to the opposite end where he hastily uncoupled the horse and went hurriedly to the fort. He and other men of the fort armed themselves and went to the end of the corn where the horse had feared to go. Here they found where Indians had been hiding in the weeds, but had escaped before the armed men arrived. Had the horse taken him to the end of the row, he probably would have been murdered and scalped by the savages."

This farm which is situate on a small branch of Dent's run and which was owned at that time by Benjamin Wilson, was visited in the fall of 1924 by the father and brothers of the author while trying to find the location of Benjamin's grave. The old Baptist church at Mt. Taber was found. This church was built on a small plat of ground, of about one acre, which was donated to this sect by Benjamin and Eleanor Wilson.

The natives directed our attention to the field in which Benjamin was working when he was almost caught by the Indians. This farm is situate on Scot's Meadow run which is a small branch of Dent's run. The house in which he lived was a little farther up the run from the church. Near this house is a spring, walled up with stones, where Benjamin obtained water for family use.

George Wilson, who settled on Dent's run in 1773 and his wife, Mary, had the following children: William, Hannah, Margaret, and Arthur. George might have been a brother of Benjamin but, so far, their relationship has not been established.

William Wilson and his wife, Rebecca, had the following children: Stephen, George, Barsha, William, Linny, Rebecca, Harriet, Josiah, Abraham, Ruth, Nancy, and Eleanor. William, sr., was a brother to Benjamin.

Josiah Wilson—a bachelor brother of Benjamin, as shown by his will—left his property to the wife of Samuel Muckelroy. She was probably Benjamin's sister.

Benjamin's other bachelor brother, James, did not leave a will.

Benjamin Wilson, the first ancestor of the Wilson family described in this book, and the first of whom we have definite knowledge, was born about 1745 and died in 1833 or early 1834. He was married about 1773 to Eleanor Tomlinson who was of English descent. She died about 1833. They were the parents of the following children:

George P., born Jan. 9, 1779, and died Oct. 9, 1873;
William, born (?), and died July 22, 1849;
James, born (?), and died (?);
Leven, born August 5, 1791, and died Jan. 18, 1878;
Mary, born in 1783, and died April 3, 1855;
Lydia, born (?), and died (?);
Elizabeth, born (?), and died (?);
Millie, born in 1795, and died in 1894;
Eleanor, born in 1776, and died in 1867; and
Benjamin, jr., (?), and died (?).

These children are not named in order of birth, because dates of birth of all of them could not be ascertained.

George P. Wilson was married on December 17, 1802, to Rebecca Kennedy who was born March 23, 1779, and died July 16, 1866.

William Wilson was married on October 27, 1803, to Rachel Lynch who was born (?), and died August 10, 1864. They were parents of the following children: John, Humphrey Beckett, Benjamin, Alexander, William, Rachel, Mary, Sarah, Eli, James, Edward, and Pierce. Humphrey Beckett was the father of Pinkney and Wesley Wilson, of near Fairview, W. Va. Rachel married Peter Haught. Mary married a Hess.

Sarah never married. Eli married Jane McCurdy. Edward married Mahala Davis.

James Wilson, son of Benjamin, married Nancy Snyder. Issue—Sylvester, George, Benjamin, Jerry, Silas, Serena, Jennie, Nellie, Vina, and Leven. George married a Varner, Benjamin married Mary Wilson. Serena never married. Jennie married Daniel Eddy. Nellie married William Toothman. Vina married Noah Fluharty.

Leven Wilson, son of Benjamin, married Sophia Eddy who was born September 26, 1794, and died May 17, 1869. Issue—Milton, Margaret, Eleanor, and Perdilly. Milton married Jane Toothman. Margaret married Jacob Tennant. Eleanor married William Varner. Perdilly married Ivan Tennant. Leven and his wife are buried on Robinson run.

Mary Wilson, daughter of Benjamin, married David Eddy who was born November 7, 1793, and died March 8, 1871. Issue the following children:

James P., born July 22, 1825, and died July 29, 1909;
Michael, born in 1814, and died in 1898;
Joseph, born (?), and died (?);
Leven, born (?), and died (?); and
Eleanor, born (?), and died July 20, 1850.

James P. married Catherine Robinson on November 7, 1850. She died September 24, 1898. Issue:

Sarepta, born April 5, 1853, and died Dec. 18, 1906;
George W., born Jan. 6, 1856, and died April 6, 1856; and
Daughter, born August 6, 1851, and died August 27, 1851.

Sarepta was married on August 26, 1869, to Milton Mason. He died December 1, 1902. Issue of Milton and Sarepta Mason:

Arminia, born April 25, 1871;
Seba Angeline, born Jan. 25, 1874, died August 31, 1894;
Oliva Scott, born Nov. 16, 1878; and
Ella Alice, born June 16, 1886, and died in 1909.

Michael Eddy married and had issue—Martha, and Jacob.

Leven Eddy married Elsie (?) and had issue—Jacob, and Sarah Ellen.

Lydia Wilson, daughter of Benjamin, married James Anderson. They had no children. Elizabeth Wilson, daughter of Benjamin, married John Wilson. Millie Wilson, daughter of Benjamin, was married in 1825 to Jacob Hibbs who was born February 15, 1799, and died March 15, 1888.

Jacob and Millie Hibbs moved from Monongalia county to Preston county in the year 1832. They moved to a site about four miles southeast of the present village of Independence, W. Va., and were among the earliest pioneer settlers in that district. They lived at that place the rest of their days. They were parents of the following children:

Eleanor Jane, born May 25, 1829, died Oct. 28, 1911;
Lydia Ann, born Nov. 27, 1830, died Oct. 26, 1850;
William, born April 5, 1832, died August 18, 1910;
Labon W., born Feb. 8, 1834, died May, 1895;
John W., born Dec. 16, 1835, died Jan. 28, 1903;
David C., born Oct. 26, 1839, died April 13, 1917; and
Benjamin, born (?), died (?).

Eleanor married Benjamin Hughes. William was married first, to Sarah Jane Roderick, and secondly, to Leah Roderick. Sarah Jane was born January 12, 1842, and died in February, 1874. Leah was born December 12, 1844, and died in February, 1896. Labon W. Hibbs was married in 1864 to Angeline Ford who was born in 1840 and is living at the present time—1926. David C. Hibbs married Martha J. McCurdy who was born October 9, 1841, and died February 25, 1908.

Eleanor Wilson, daughter of Benjamin, was married on January 24, 1798, to John Rogers. He died about 1863. They had the following children: Archibald Wilson, John, James, Samuel, Labon, Lydia, Hester, Jane, Millie, Mary, and Elizabeth.

Archibald W. was married in 1818 to Elizabeth Boyles. He died February 15, 1876. John married Margaret Weaver. He died about 1888. Samuel married Jane Shannon. He died in 1875. Labon W. married Sarah Fogle. He died about 1875. Lydia married a Gribble. Hester married Joshua Snyder. She died in 1877. Jane married Daniel Sypolt. She died in 1870. Millie married Jesse Sypolt. She died in 1886. Mary married William Walls. She died in 1886. Elizabeth married Ezekiel Bee.

Archibald was a farmer, and also a minister in the Baptist Mission in Cincinnati. Samuel was a merchant; John, a farmer; and Labon, a mason. All of Eleanor (nee Wilson) Rogers' children lived in Preston county, W. Va., except Samuel, who moved to Missouri. Several of the descendants of this family still live in the vicinity of the village of Independence, Preston county, W. Va.

Eleanor Wilson was the oldest child of Benjamin, unless, perhaps, there was an older child who died in infancy.

Benjamin Wilson, jr., son of Benjamin, sr., was killed, according to family tradition, while assisting other carpenters in erecting a church building. This must have been about 1825, because there are accounts of this Benjamin up to that date, but none after.

George P. Wilson, son of Benjamin, sr., was born in a fort near Morgantown, W. Va. He married Rebecca Kennedy. The marriage bond in the court house in Morgantown mentions the name "Rebecca Kinnet" who married George P. Wilson. This is a mistake on the part of the one who issued the license, because her name is known to have been Kennedy.

Rebecca Kennedy had a brother and sister who went by the names of Jacob and Mary Straight. These three were natural issue of Betty Kennedy before she married Jacob Kennedy—her first cousin. Issue of Jacob and Betty Kennedy: William, James, Peter, and Margaret. Margaret married John Walker, who was a son of James Walker, sr.

George P. and Rebecca Wilson are buried on the Brookover farm, near McCurdysville, W. Va.

Descendants of George P. and Rebecca (nee Kennedy) Wilson hold family reunions, annually, near the village of McCurdysville. Descendants of this family and their friends who attend these reunions number several thousand people.

George P. and his wife lived at one time on the farm on which they are buried.

In Hardesty's "Atlas of Marion and Harrison Counties", we find a statement to the effect that George P. Wilson was a captain in the war of 1812. Authority for this statement was probably obtained from Eugenius, who was a grandson of Geo. P. Wilson. George P. Wiley, in his "History of Monongalia County," states also that George Wilson was a corporal in that war.

Following are the children of George P. and Rebecca (nee Kennedy) Wilson:

Benjamin S., born March 23, 1803, died July 22, 1858;
Stephen S., born Feb. 14, 1806, died Jan. 17, 1897;
Elizabeth, born Jan. 26, 1809, died Jan. 31, 1869;
Amelia, born Feb. 29, 1812, died August 20, 1881;
Dorcas, born July 27, 1815, died August 27, 1905;
William, born April 8, 1821, died June 6, 1898; and
Margaret, born April 4, 1823, died Oct., 1915.

Benjamin S. was married on August 1, 1824, to Susanna Raber who was born October 10, 1804, and died September 20, 1890. Stephen S. married Hannah McCurdy who was born March 22, 1807, and died December 28, 1896. Elizabeth married William Mayfield. Amelia was married on July 25, 1830, to Nimrod Tennant who was born August 30, 1802, and died February 28, 1875. Dorcas was married on December 17, 1840, to Ashberry Brookover who was born July 5, 1817, and died April 1, 1904. William was married on June 25, 1841, to Mary Ann Kennedy who was born August 9, 1822, and died July 25, 1890. Margaret was married on September 7, 1843, to Adam Fluharty who was born September 4, 1821, and died November 14, 1882. George P. and Rebecca Wilson (parents of this family) were married by the Rev. John Wyley.

Benjamin S., oldest child of George P. Wilson, was born on what is now the Brookover farm near the village of McCurdysville. After his marriage to Susanna Raber he lived on a farm close to the farm of his father, George P. This farm was later owned by Benjamin's son, Henry. This farm, which is now

occupied by George W. Wilson, is at present the property of the heirs of Henry Wilson.

Christopher Raber was of Dutch ancestry—his father having immigrated to this country from Holland. His father's name was also Christopher. In the courthouse in Morgantown, W. Va., a deed was found which was dated December 14, 1789, to Christopher Reaver. Another deed was also found there which was dated October, 1788, in the name of Christopher Raver and his wife, Catherine, for four hundred acres situate on Dunkard creek. Although this evidence points to the conclusion that the parents of Christopher, jr., were Christopher, sr., and Catherine Raber, we have learned through reliable sources that this is true. Their name is found to have been spelled, "Reaver", "Raver", and Raber".

Christopher Raber, jr., was born about 1770 and died March 7, 1864. He married Sarah Fluharty who was born about 1773 and died November 16, 1874. This family lived and reared their children near Maidsville, W. Va.

We have not learned very much about the ancestry of the Fluharty family. Some say that the name of Sarah's father was John or William. She had two known brothers—Daniel and John. This family is of German ancestry. The name is found to be spelled "Fleharty" in court records in Morgantown.

The following account of a misfortune which happened to the Raber family about 1810 or 1812 is given by Clara Wilson who is at present superintendent of schools of Marion county, W. Va., and who is a great-granddaughter of Christopher Raber, jr.—she having been told this by her grandmother, Susanna (nee Raber) Wilson:

"Christopher Raber, sr., was a prosperous man and his family at that time was considered well-to-do. They settled on the forest land in Monongalia county. At that time Christopher was known to have in his possession either a bushel or a half-bushel basket full of gold and other coins which he kept secreted in a small closet in his home. It was necessary, perhaps, for people of that day to protect their savings in this manner, since they did not have convenient access to exchange banks or other advantageous facilities where they could deposit their savings like we have today. On the day of this misfortune, Christopher, sr., and his children—one of whom was our ancestor Christopher, jr.—were working in a near-by field. It was the mother's custom to ring the dinner-bell which was a signal for the workers that their noon-day meal was about prepared. On this day the bell was not rung at the accustomed time. Christopher, sr., waited for sometime but the bell was not heard. He decided to go to the house—leaving his children in the field—and learn why they had not been called to dinner. The children who did not hear the bell after having

waited for a short time, also decided to go to the house. Upon their arrival at the house they found their father lying dead and their mother so near death that she was unable to tell them what had happened. The mother, however, uttered incoherently—yet distinctly enough to be understood—the names “Marshall”, and “Doud”. It is believed by members of this family that two men by these names committed this horrible deed. Upon further investigation, the children found that the money had been stolen. The perpetrators of this crime were never apprehended. Christopher, jr., became temporarily demented over the murder of his parents, but soon recovered.”

Christopher Raber, jr., married Sarah Fluharty. They had the following issue: Noah, John, William, Susanna, Nancy, Amy, Sarah, Rebecca, and Louisa. Noah married Zaney Pride. John married Rachel Toothman. William married Casenda Fluharty. Susanna married Benjamin S. Wilson. Nancy married Henry Pride. Amy married Samuel Snider. Sarah married Benjamin McCurdy. Rebecca married first, James Neptune, and secondly, Adam Rice. Louisa married first, Eugene Toothman, and secondly, Adam Rice.

Sarah Raber who married Benjamin McCurdy, was born October 8, 1820, and died October 29, 1909. Her husband was born December 15, 1813, and died January 15, 1893.

Following are the children of Benjamin S. and Susanna (nee Raber) Wilson:

Eugenius, born May 13, 1825, died March 8, 1904;
Sarah, born August 16, 1826, died April 1, 1896;
George R., born April 3, 1828, died May 9, 1893;
Stephen R., born March 13, 1830, died March 14, 1919;
Christopher, born March 27, 1832, died Oct. 16, 1844;
John R., born Feb. 17, 1834, died (?);
Henry P., born Jan. 27, 1836, died May 29, 1906;
Rebecca Jane, born Oct. 12, 1838, died July 26, 1921;
Sanford William, born Oct. 12, 1838, died May 18, 1909;
Noah, born Oct. 23, 1840, died May 20, 1848;
Twins, born Dec. 21, 1841, died Dec. 21, 1841;
Francis M., born Feb. 13, 1843, died May 16, 1848;
Harriet, born March 29, 1845, died June 20, 1912;
Zaney, born March 8, 1847, died May 19, 1848; and
Benjamin Franklin, born April 30, 1849, died Dec., 1921.

Eugenius was married on April 9, 1854, to Elizabeth Swift who was born December 3, 1823, and died June 14, 1893. They had three children: James Benjamin—a bachelor—living in 1926, on the old homestead on Plum run; Rev. Alpheus, living on State's Fork run; and Susan (nee Wilson) Moore who died in 1926.

Sarah Wilson was married on September 9, 1849, to Alpheus LeMasters who was born February 5, 1827, and died April 4, 1890.

George R. Wilson was married on February 1, 1849, to Susanna Statler who was born August 21, 1830, and died December 16, 1888.

Stephen R. Wilson was married on May 13, 1853, to Jane Neely who was born April 25, 1831, and died February 2, 1892. John R. married Ades Fealix. Henry P. Wilson was married on May 27, 1875, to Emaline Mason who was born May 3, 1846, and died March 17, 1909. Their son, George W., is living, in 1926, on the old homestead near the village of McCurdysville. Their daughter, Ades, is living in the village of Fairview, West Virginia. Rebecca Jane Wilson was married on January 3, 1867, to William R. Dicken who was born February 16, 1845, and died June 13, 1926, in Fairmont, W. Va. William and Rebecca had no issue.

Sanford William was married first, on October 31, 1869, to Sarah Hannah Rowand, and secondly, on December 25, 1879, to Abigail Trickett. Sarah Hannah Rowand's lineage merges into the Rowand family described elsewhere in this book. She was born October 31, 1847, and died December 24, 1876. Abigail Trickett was born June 16, 1848, and died December 20, 1920. Sanford and Sarah Hannah had issue: Acte Estella, who married R. J. Costella and lives at Watson, W. Va.; Flora May (deceased) married a Dias; Effie Gertrude married a Straight; and Clara Rowand who is superintendent of schools of Marion county. The author is much indebted to Clara for her assistance in giving information which has been useful in writing the genealogy of the Wilson family. Issue of William and Abigail: Laura, Edna, Virgie Anna, Ralph Camden, and Lora Belle—all deceased.

Harriet Wilson was married on June 10, 1866, to Thomas Boor who was born January 7, 1844, and is living, at present—January, 1926. They have a son, J. W. Boor, living in the village of Granttown, W. Va., who has a family.

Benjamin Franklin, the youngest child of the large family of Benjamin and Susanna (nee Raber) Wilson, married Jennie Hayhurst. She is living in the state of Virginia where this family went to live a short time before the death of her husband.

Following are the children of Stephen S. and Hannah (nee McCurdy) Wilson:

- Mary, born Oct. 27, 1826, died in 1900;
- William H., born March 3, 1830, died June 19, 1921;
- Rebecca, born Feb. 27, 1832, died March 4, 1913;
- Susanna, born Sept. 17, 1834, died in 1912;
- Permilia, born Oct. 22, 1836, died in 1885;
- Edgar C., born Oct. 2, 1838, still living;
- George Washington, born Sept. 7, 1840, died (?);
- Alpheus, born August 7, 1842, still living;
- Fletcher B., born July 31, 1844, still living;

Enos Perry, born August 7, 1846, died August 4, 1864;
John L., born August 17, 1848, died in 1899; and
Two children, born (?), and died in infancy.

Mary married Benjamin, son of James Wilson. William H. married first, Arie Mason, and secondly, Mahalia Mason. Rebecca married Peter Mason. Susanna married first, George Emery, and secondly, George Wilson who was a son of James Permlia married Eli LeMasters. Edgar C. married first, Sarah McFeaters, and secondly, Prudence Tennant. Sarah McFeaters was born in 1837, and died (?). Prudence Tennant was born April 1, 1866. Edgar and Prudence are living, at present—1926, in the village of Harrisonville, W. Va. Alpheus married Sarah Moore. Fletcher B. married Elvy Ellen Brookover. John L. married Mary McFeaters. She was a sister to Sarah McFeaters who married John L.'s brother, Edgar C.

There were five brothers of the above family who served in the Civil war: Edgar C. had almost four years service, and was a sergeant in co. K, 9th W. Va. volunteers; George W., in the 3rd W. Va. cavalry; Alpheus, in the 6th W. Va.; Fletcher B. was a line sergeant; and Enos Perry, the youngest, died in a hospital in Maryland. George W. was killed while on picket duty somewhere in Virginia.

There were several grandchildren of George P. Wilson who served in this war—both in the Union and Confederate armies—whose war records could not be obtained.

There were three sons of Benjamin S. Wilson who served in the Confederate army: Henry P.; John R., who enlisted in September, 1862; and George R., who enlisted in April, 1863. George R., while trying to reach the Southern army after he had enlisted, was captured by Union soldiers in the mountains somewhere in the South. He was sent through, exchanged as a prisoner, and joined the army with his two brothers who were in the 20th Virginia cavalry, company B., under Capt. Thomas Arnett, Brig.-Gen. B. G. Early, and Gen. William Jackson. George R. returned to his home in West Virginia in June, 1865.

Among some of the battles in which these three brothers took a part are: Wilderness, Chancellorsville, Guilford Courthouse, and the Seven Day battle.

During the battle of the Wilderness, Henry, upon seeing the Flag-bearer shot down, recovered the Flag and carried it during the remainder of the battle. His uniform was torn to tatters by bullets, but he went through it without receiving a single wound.

U. S. Fluharty, son of Adam and Margaret (nee Wilson) Fluharty, served in the Civil war in the Union army. He is still living, at present, among his children in Belpre, Washington county, Ohio.

George Brookover, son of Ashberry and Dorcas (nee Wilson) Brookover, is living, at present—1926, on the farm on

which George P. and his wife, Rebecca (nee Kennedy) Wilson, are buried. George P. Wilson lived the last few years with Ashberry and Dorcas Brookover. The author is indebted to George Brookover for his assistance in finding the graveyard of Benjamin Wilson—our first known ancestor—who settled in Monongalia county.

George R. Wilson was born on the old homestead near McCurdysville, Va. (now W. Va.). While in the Confederate army he served most of the time as a blacksmith. He learned this trade under the tutorage of his Uncle Stephen. After his marriage on February 1, 1849, he lived near the farm of his father until the year 1856 when he moved to Glover Gap, W. Va. He was the father of six children when he left home to join his brothers in the Southern army. In the year 1867, or soon after his return from the army, he moved to a farm which he purchased on Drake's run, situate about two miles west of Mannington, Marion county, West Virginia. He was among the first few to settle on this small stream. Here he built a log cabin for a home, and another for a blacksmith shop. He cleared this farm and did some farming in addition to a great deal of blacksmith work. This was, for several years, the only shop within several miles of this place. It was the rendezvous of the natives, and here is where they would meet on almost any evening, and especially on Saturday afternoons, when they would engage in the friendly sport of horseshoe pitching or in muzzle-loading rifle-shooting. George and his wife, Susanna, are buried in the Beegum cemetery. Following are the children of George R. and Susanna (nee Statler) Wilson:

- Dilia, born (?), died (?);
- Sabina, born Nov. 13, 1851, died July 25, 1900;
- Christopher Columbus, born Oct. 24, 1853;
- Elizabeth L., born Feb. 21, 1856;
- Susanna, born Oct. 17, 1858, died May 12, 1885;
- Alpheus Sanford, born Jan. 23, 1861, died Feb. 25, 1888;
- Debasco Lee, born April 13, 1863;
- Benjamin Franklin, born March 20, 1866, died Sept. 23, 1916;
- Sarepta, born April 8, 1868; and
- Helen, born (?), died (?).

Sabina was married on August 15, 1872, to Solomon Efaw who was born September 26, 1850. At the time of Sabina's death, Solomon was living on Drake's run. He is, at present—1926, living among his children. Christopher Columbus was married on May 18, 1879, to Mandilla Mittong who was born September 23, 1854, and died August 6, 1924. Elizabeth L. was married first, on July 31, 1879, to Frank Chesney Sine, and secondly, on March 16, 1897, to Lewis Higginbotham. Frank Chesney Sine was born May 20, 1854, and died January 1, 1892.

Lewis Higginbotham was born December 21, 1851. Lewis and Elizabeth are living, at present—1926, on Dent's run, Marion county, West Virginia. Alpheus Sanford married Leanna Richardson. Debasco Lee was married on April 4, 1895, to Emma Hall who was born December 20, 1879. They are living near Barrackville, W. Va. Benjamin Franklin was married first, to Margaret G. Hawkenberry, and secondly, to Myrtle Pyles. Margaret was born December 23, 1874, and died January 28, 1894. Myrtle died March 14, 1898. At the time of his death, Benjamin was living in the old log cabin on Drake's run which his father, George R., at one time used for a blacksmith shop. Sarepta was married on March 12, 1885, to Isaac Matheny who was born October 18, 1864. They are living, at present—1926, near the village of Mannington, W. Va. Isaac is a track-foreman for the B. & O. railroad.

Following are the children of Solomon and Sabina (nee Wilson) Efaw:

Susie Jane, born July 13, 1873, died April 18, 1902;
Lottie Bell, born Jan. 14, 1875, died Dec. 19, 1894;
Elizabeth Ann, born July 24, 1878;
William Harry, born August 17, 1879;
George Bennett, born March 21, 1882;
Birtie Lee, born April 24, 1884;
Benjamin Franklin, born May 27, 1887;
Arthur Mariman, born May 27, 1891; and
Lona Mabel, born May 10, 1896, died May 30, 1917.

Elizabeth Ann is married and living on State's Fork run. William Harry is married, has issue, and is living on Drake's run. George Bennett—a widower—has issue, and is living near the mouth of Flat run. Bertie Lee is married and living in Wheeling, W. Va. Benjamin Franklin is married and living in Mannington, W. Va. Arthur Mariman is married and living in Fairmont, W. Va. Lona Mabel's death was caused by being fatally burned at the time her father's home on Drake's run accidentally burned.

Following are the children of Frank Chesney and Elizabeth (nee Wilson) Sine:

Alfred Homer, born Feb. 10, 1881, died Dec. 21, 1882;
William Benton, born Sept. 17, 1882, died Jan 28, 1886;
Charles Edward, born Jan. 1, 1884;
Claude Raymond, born April 13, 1886;
Georgia May, born May 1, 1888; and
Mary Ann, born July 8, 1890.

One child—Opal Lois—was born to Lewis and Elizabeth (nee Wilson), Sine, Higginbotham. Opal was born August 3, 1898. She was married on December 16, 1922, to Frederick B. Straight.

Following are the children of Debasco Lee and Emma (nee Hall) Wilson:

Jesse James, born August 24, 1897;
Mary Della, born Dec. 1, 1899;
Rose Mae, born July 11, 1902;
Lester Rolley, born Feb. 7, 1909; and
Edna Viola, born March 31, 1915.

Two children were born to Benjamin Franklin and Myrtle (nee Pyles) Wilson—Lummie Pearl, December 16, 1895, and died August 10, 1911; and Bessie Olive, July 22, 1897. Bessie married J. R. Roberts and is living in Castle Shannon, Pennsylvania.

Following are the children of Isaac and Sarepta (nee Wilson Matheny):

John Wesley, born March 15, 1886;
Georgia Blanche, born Jan. 26, 1888;
Howard Essel, born Feb. 1, 1891;
David Lester, born March 3, 1893;
Ada Lee, born June 19, 1895
Mary Eva, born Feb. 8, 1898;
Isaac Columbus, born Oct. 3, 1900;
Obie Hugh, born May 31, 1903; and
Connie Edwin, born Sept. 3, 1907.

John married Cora Taylor, has issue, and lives near Mannington, W. Va. Georgia Blanche married Edward Wright, has issue, and lives near Mannington. Howard Essel is married, has issue, and is living in Clarksburg, W. Va. David Lester is married, has issue, and is living in Mannington. Ada Lee is married, has issue, and is living in Mannington. Isaac Columbus is married, has issue, and is living in Mannington, W. Va. Obie Hugh married a Thomas and lives in Mannington. Connie Edwin is at home with his parents.

Christopher Columbus Wilson was born near McCurdysville, Va. (now W. Va.) He was ten years old when his father, George R., enlisted in the Confederate army. After his father returned from the war and set up his blacksmith shop, Christopher learned this trade while still quite young. He worked at blacksmithing until grown to manhood. After his marriage to Mandilla Mittong, he purchased a part of his father's farm on Drake's run where he built a log cabin in which all of his children were born. He purchased the Joseph Rowand farm, situate at the source of the right-hand prong of this small stream, in 1902, and is living, at present—1926, on this farm with his unmarried daughter, Mary. Although a member of the Baptist church on Dent's run where his wife, Mandilla, was also a member since girlhood, he is a regular attendant of the Union church at Beegum.

In Wiley's "History of Monongalia County", we find that the Statlers were among the pioneer settlers of that county.

Two brothers—Jacob and John Statler—settled in Clay district, Monongalia county, in 1770. Joseph Statler—another

brother— was also one of the early settlers in that district. These three brothers had one known sister—Christinia—who was married in 1784 to Adam Brown. Adam and Christinia moved from Fayette county, Pa., in 1796, to Clay district. This family is descended from Irish ancestors.

In the year 1774 when the settlement near the present site of Morgantown was still quite young, Wiley's history states that John Statler was a prominent leader in the affairs of that district.

Statler's fort was located a short distance below Brown's Mill. This was called "Fort Statler" from a family by that name who lived in that settlement. It was a block-house located on the waters of Dunkark creek, which was a western tributary of the Monongahela river.

John Statler was killed by Indians in 1780 near the mouth of Doll's creek. He is buried in Core's graveyard. In that same year Joseph Statler and a companion were shot and scalped by Indians. A few minutes before they were killed, Joseph and this man heard a sound which they thought was the gobble of a turkey. Upon investigation they found it to be a decoy which lured them to their death. This occurred on Jake's run—the small stream which was so named in honor of Jacob Statler.

Following is an excerpt of one of several articles printed by L. K. Evans in the Waynesburg Republican during the latter part of 1875 and 1876 which might be of interest to the descendants of Jacob Statler. This article is not copied verbatim, but will be given by the writer in his own words. The facts, however, will be as given by Mr. Evans.

"Back in the pioneer days of the early settlers of this district, a scene of carnage was witnessed on the waters of Dunkark creek, unsurpassed in atrocity. In the summer of 1778, we find a large and thrifty settlement in the valley of Dunkard creek in the vicinity of the site now occupied by the present village of Blacksville, W. Va. On a small branch of this creek, on the Virginia (now W. Va.) side, a short distance below the present village of Blacksville, a fort was constructed which was the rendezvous for the people of that entire neighborhood in times of Savage invasions. It was called Statler's fort. I presume this was the name of the individual who owned the land on which the fort was built. It was situate about three-quarters of a mile south of the Pennsylvania-West Virginia state-line. I believe there is a postoffice bearing the name of that fort located at, or near, its original site. I do not know how long this settlement had been founded previous to the wholesale slaughter of which I am about to relate. Perhaps some daring pioneers had explored this district long before this time. While numerous bands of hostile Indians were plundering and pillaging the settlements

along Booth and Coburn creeks and committing horrible slaughter and devastation, the Statler fort settlers were apprised of their danger and assembled themselves in the fort for common defense and protection. After several days had elapsed and the enemy had not appeared, the men ventured away from the fort with gun and hoe to till their growing crops in order to provide sustenance for their families who were living within the palisades of this fort. For the better defense against insidious attacks by detached gangs of the large body of Savages who were on the war-path, the settlers banded together, and by assisting each other for help in return, they maintained an organization for their common defense. We do not know how long they had been living and working together in this manner—long enough, perhaps, to begin to enjoy a feeling of security, and then began to relax in vigilance in guarding against attacks. One evening, after having accomplished a good day's work, and after having butchered several hogs, they set off in high spirits to gladden the hearts of their wives and children with their safe return as well as with the provisions which they were taking to relieve their families from hunger."

"Sometime during the afternoon of this fateful day, one hundred stealthy Savages crept noiselessly through the dense forest and ambushed themselves on either side of the path which led to the fort. Crouching there with murderous intent, these highway demons breathlessly awaited the approach of this devoted band of frontiersmen. Unconscious of the awful fate awaiting them, the happy, unsuspecting band of honest woodmen marched gayly on right into the jaws of death. Suddenly, the hillside appeared to be illuminated as if by the lightning' flash! Every tangle in the adjacent dense forest seemed to belch forth the fearful death-warrant of rifle-shot. They who escaped the first volley rallied with undismayed bravery and returned the fire. But this unequal contest could not long be endured and, fighting their way through the large band of Savages, the few who were still unharmed made their escape to the fort—leaving eighteen of their companions dead in the wood."

"It was well for that settlement that the Indians refrained from besieging the fort, because it had already lost enough of its gallant defenders to render futile any further resistance to such a host of Savages."

"The spirit of the fort was so weakened with fear for their own safety that several days elapsed before the survivors felt safe enough to venture out to bury their dead comrades. The dead were found to be stripped of clothing, scalped, and horribly mangled—presenting to the survivors the picture of a crime so brutal and atrocious that it beggared description.

It was indeed through the mercy of Providence that the entire fort settlement was not annihilated."

"At that time this fort was isolated from any other settlement of any size. They had no other hope of deliverance except by their own resources and a reliance in the ever ruling Providence. Since they were in such a helpless condition, they decided that it was the better part of discretion not to retaliate or attempt to avenge this outrage. The Redmen evidently did not suspect this or they would have raided the fort and done it with impunity."

"Thus far I am corroborated by 'History of Border Warfare'. Whatever follows is traditional. This ambushade apparently occurred near the Pennsylvania-Virginia (now W. Va.) state-line for the following reasons: Here is where the warrior branch of the great war-path held its sway; it is also natural to consider this band of Savages to be on their return march from an expedition of pillage and murder; and since their path intersected the path used by the settlers, it was an easy matter for one of the bands to be intercepted by the other."

"According to tradition, the body of Jacob Statler who was killed on this occasion was buried near the state line. A few years ago his bones were exposed—caused by erosion of the soil. The citizens living in this neighborhood had them re-coffined and re-interred with honors of war in the presence of a large assemblage of patriots who marched to the tunes of martial music, with flags flying, in all the pomp and glory suitable for such occasion."

We can see from the above account that the Statlers suffered a great deal from Indian raids—three of them, John Joseph, and Jacob, having been killed and scalped by these Savages. Tradition as given by the oldest living members of this family says that Jacob was the ancestor of the Statlers who are connected with the Wilson family.

Jacob Statler had a son, John. John was born May 4, 1733, and died February 22, 1826. He married Eve (?). Family tradition says that Eve's maiden name was Roberts. This was confirmed by John's grandson, John, who died March 13, 1926.

A deed on record in the courthouse at Morgantown, W. Va., dated November 9, 1833, gives the heirs of John Statler as follows: Levi Anderson and his wife, Sarah; David Wright and his wife, Susan; John Delester and his wife, Castilda; and Jacob Statler and his wife, Elizabeth. This property was on Dunkard creek. Jacob, son of John and Eve Statler, was born June 30, 1805, and died November 20, 1873. He was married on October 5, 1826, to Elizabeth Walker who was born March 2, 1802, and died April 11, 1874. Following are the children of Jacob and Elizabeth (nee Walker) Statler:

Susanna, born August 21, 1830, died Dec. 16, 1888;
 Sarah, born Sept. 25, 1832, died about 1897;
 Plezzy Ann, born April 27, 1835, died about 1884;
 Catherine, born March 27, 1837, died June 8, 1915; and
 John, born August 3, 1841, died March 13, 1926.

Susanna married George R. Wilson. Sarah married Azaria Mayfield. Plezzy Ann married Marion Riggs. Catherine married William S. Glascock who was born August 5, 1826, and died August 19, 1915. John was married on May 19, 1864, to Anna Moore who was born June 30, 1844, and died August 23, 1916. Harry S. Glascock, of near Rievesville, W. Va., is a son of William S. and Catherine (nee Statler) Glascock. Mrs. Marguerite Virginia Kennedy, of Lowesville, W. Va., is a daughter of Azaria and Sarah (nee Statler) Mayfield. E. D. Statler, of Jewett, Ohio; Newton Statler, of Cassville, W. Va.; and Jacob Statler, of Coretown, W. Va., are sons of John and Anna (nee Moore) Statler. It was this John's great-grandfather, Jacob, who was scalped by Indians in 1778. This occurred on Dunkard creek near the mouth of Jake's run. Jacob's son, John, married a Roberts.

The Walker family is of Scotch-Irish descent. James Walker, the first of whom we have any definite knowledge, immigrated to this country from Ireland—accompanied by his parents—when he was only four years old. According to Wiley's history, he settled on Flag Meadow run in 1775. We do not know from where he migrated to this locality. In the Virginia Historical magazines and William and Mary's quarterlies we find many Walkers in the state of Virginia during the early settlement in that state. We also find many Walkers by the names of James and John—these being common family names.

Several Walkers served in the Revolutionary war with distinction. There were several members of this family who emigrated from Scotland to America, but many of them stopped for a while in Ireland before coming over.

John and Isaac Walker were in Capt. Morgan's company during the war of 1812. John Walker was a son of James, jr., and a grandson of James, sr. James Walker, jr., married Sarah McMullen. She was a daughter of James and Elizabeth McMullen. James and Sarah were parents of the following children: James, Ann, Mary, Elizabeth, Sarah, Susanna, Jonathan, and John.

Ann Walker married Levi Riggs. Mary married Joshua Cunningham. Elizabeth married Jacob Statler. Sarah married William Myers. Jonathan married a Lowe. John was born January 15, 1805, and died March 18, 1897. He married Margaret Kennedy who was born September 1, 1801, and died November 9, 1884. John and Margaret (nee Kennedy)

James B. Farnsworth, John Walker

Walker are the parents of James Walker who lives near Fairview, W. Va. James served in the Union army during the Civil war.

✓ James Walker, jr., was the first of that name to settle in Monongalia county, West Virginia. This was in 1775. He died in 1828. He left a will which is recorded in Morgantown. His father, James Walker, sr., married Hannah (?) and died about 1814.

The Nuzum family were among the pioneer settlers of Marion county, W. Va. The first of this family of whom we have any record was Thomas who died about 1775. He had a son, Richard, who died about 1820. Richard was married in 1760 to Elizabeth Worrel. Richard and Elizabeth had a son, William. William married Pattie Reese. William and Pattie had a son, Enos L. Enos was born January 24, 1812, and died February 20, 1895. Enos married Sarah Tatterson who was born June 7, 1831, and died July 26, 1884. Enos and Sarah had a son, Henry Clay Nuzum. He was born March 7, 1850, and is living in California. Henry Clay married Mary Louis Baze who was born November 20, 1854, and died July 2, 1905. Mary was a daughter of Riley and Susan Baze. Henry Clay and Mary Louis (nee Baze) Nuzum had a son, James Perry.

James Perry Nuzum was born February 5, 1876. He was married on July 19, 1915, to Nora Louise Mittong who was born January 26, 1873. James Perry and Nora are living in Ventura, California, where he is working in the oil field. Perry is a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He enlisted in co. H., first W. Va. regiment. He was honorably discharged in Columbus, Georgia, on February 4, 1899.

CHAPTER VII

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS WILSON AND FAMILIES

Following are the children of Christopher Columbus and Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson:

- ✓ James Elmer, born March 8, 1880;
- Mary Jennet, born Sept. 18, 1881;
- Benjamin Franklin, born Nov. 18, 1883;
- Henry Lee, born Feb. 12, 1886;
- Luther Jackson, born Feb. 14, 1888;
- Lawrence Early, born August 31, 1890; and
- Charles Lonnel, born July 23, 1893.

✓ James Elmer was married on December 19, 1911, to Doris Edwards who was born December 19, 1893. Benjamin Franklin was married on January 27, 1909, to Zella Elizabeth Hall who was born September 22, 1888. Henry Lee was married on June 5, 1912, to Elah Myrtle Shanks who was born February 26, 1892. Luther Jackson was married on, to Bertha Pixler who was born October 7, 1891. Lawrence Early was married on August 9, 1924, to Mabel Clayton who was born June 24, 1902. Charles Lonnel was married on October 19, 1919, to Allie Hall who was born October 21, 1890, and who is a sister to Zella Elizabeth who married Benjamin Franklin Wilson.

The Edwards family is of English origin. Family tradition says that the first member of this family to immigrate to America was Nathan. He emigrated from England and settled in Stafford county, Virginia, sometime prior to the American Revolutionary war.

In vol. 17, page 197, of the Virginia magazines, is a lease—George Brent to William Edwards—dated May 14, 1790, of Stafford county. Since William and Nathan lived in Stafford county at about the same time and, since the name William is inherent in this family down to the present generations, they might have been brothers.

Descendants of Nathan say that he served in the Revolutionary war. Family tradition says that he could trace his ancestry back to English royalty. This is, perhaps, true, because the Edwards family of the pioneer Virginia settlers were descendants from the Royal line.

William Edwards, son of Nathan, was born in Falmouth, Stafford county, Virginia, in 1792. He died in 1840. He was married first, to Nancy Garrison, and secondly, to Nancy Riley. He was Major in the war of 1812. He received a land-grant of 160 acres in Iowa in recognition for services

rendered in that war. Nancy Riley, whom William married in 1822, was of Irish descent. She also lived in Stafford county.

Issue of William and Nancy (nee Garrison) Edwards—John, and Mary. John married Jennie Garner and had issue, four children. Mary married John B. Cloe and had issue, four children.

Issue of William and Nancy (nee Riley) Edwards: William, jr., who married and had issue, four children; Silas who died in infancy; Elizabeth who died in infancy; Anna who married John Cligg and had issue, four children; Green Howe who married Minerva Hanna and had issue, one child; Hester who was married in 1857 to Henry Rolen; and David Crockett.

David Crockett Edwards was born February 18, 1837, and died December 25, 1924. He was married on March 3, 1857, to Mary Ann Mitchell who was born March 1, 1839, and died January 12, 1912. David and Mary Ann were born in Cumberland, Md., and were married there by the Rev. John Bray—pastor of the Baptist church.

David was Captain in the Civil war—enlisting in Cumberland on August 29, 1861, as Second-Lieut. in co. H., 2nd Md. infantry, Army of the Potomac. He was honorably discharged on March 15, 1865, with the rank of Captain. He was confined in Libby prison for one year and four months. He was transferred to Macon, Georgia, with 600 officers and later sent to Charleston, S. C., and put under fire to keep the Federals from shelling the city. He was later confined in Sorghum, S. C. He escaped from this place but was captured after twelve days and returned to Wilmington, N. C. From this place he was paroled as captain—returning to his wife and three small children in Cumberland.

Henry Mitchell was of Scotch ancestry. He was born in 1792 and died in 1857. He was married first, to Nancy Mc-Intooch—a Scotch girl—and secondly, to Elizabeth Ash. He had one child—dying in infancy—by his second wife.

Following are the issue of Henry and Elizabeth (nee Mc-Intooch) Mitchell: Mary who died in infancy; William G. who never married; Jane who married Jacob R. Couter; Martha who married John Oliver; Mary Ann who married David Crockett Edwards; Susan who married Daniel Reid; and Henry who married and had issue, two children. This family of children was born and reared in Cumberland.

Following are the children of David Crockett and Mary Ann (nee Mitchell) Edwards:

- William Harrison, born Feb. 3, 1858;
- Green Howe Webster, born Sept. 7, 1860;
- John Oliver, born Nov. 7, 1863;
- Martha Ellen, born Feb. 4, 1865;
- Edwin Jesse, born August 14, 1867;

Minnie Susan, born Feb. 26, 1869;
George Washington, born Oct. 17, 1870;
Charlotte Ann, born April 5, 1873;
Harry Cecil, born Dec. 23, 1875;
Frank, born March 25, 1878;
Stella Agnes, born July 18, 1880; and
Charles O., born Jan. 13, 1883.

William Harrison who is living at present in Ridgeville, Indiana, was married on October 16, 1881, to Mrs. Mary Alice (nee Gard) Walker who was born December 5, 1854, and died November 18, 1924. John Oliver married Mary Welsh and had five children—Earl, Fern, and three who died in infancy. Edwin Jesse married Mae DeWitt and has four children—Merl, Clyde, Edwin, and Walter. Minnie Susan married William Thompson and has four children—Glee, Glen, Cecil, and Max. George married Allie Karshman and has one child—Madge. Harry Cecil married Lillian Davidson and has two children—David and Margaret. Frank married Daisy Harry and has two children—Lois and Betty. Stella Agnus married Thomas Ewing Downs.

George Dowler married Miriam Snow. According to family history they emigrated from Holland, landed at Plymouth Rock, and migrated to the Shenandoah valley, Virginia, and from there to Preble county, Ohio. They had a daughter, Nellie, born in Preble county in 1805. Nellie married William Riley Gard, of Fort Hamilton, Hamilton county, Ohio. He was born in 1792 and died in 1868.

Daniel Gard was of Scotch-Irish descent. He immigrated to this country from Scotland in 1790. He enlisted in the Continental army and fought against the Indians. He enlisted as bodyguard to William Riley—surveyor-general—under Gen. Arthur St. Clair. In the year 1791 there were four married men among those camping at Fort Hamilton. When duty called these men away for two years' service elsewhere, their wives remained in the fort. Upon their return to the fort, Daniel found that he had a son (William Riley Gard) two years old, who was named in honor of Surveyor-General William Riley.

William Riley Gard was allotted 160 acres of land by the government, at Manchester, Ohio, in recognition for the services rendered by his father in the war against the Indians. He was married in 1821 to Nellie, daughter of George and Miriam Dowler. William and Miriam (nee Dowler) Gard were parents of fourteen children—of whom Mary Alice was the youngest.

Following is the obituary as it appeared in the Ridgeville News at the death of Mary Alice Edwards:

“Mrs. W. H. Edwards passed away Tuesday evening at 9:30 o'clock on November 18, 1924, at her home in this city,

after a serious illness of eight weeks. Mary Alice Edwards, daughter of William and Nellie (nee Dowler) Gard, and the youngest of fourteen children, was born in Drake county, Ohio, on December 5, 1854. She was married on October 16, 1881, to William Harrison Edwards, and to this union were born three children—Mrs. Chas. F. Young (nee Kitty May Edwards) of Columbus, Ohio; Joseph Oliver of this city; and Mrs. Jas. E. Wilson (nee Doris Helen Edwards) of Canton, Ohio. She is survived by her husband, three children, and three grandchildren; also two brothers—L. R. and Joseph Gard—of Union City, and one sister—Mrs. Jane Zeek—of Indianapolis.”

“At the time of her death Mrs. Edwards was a member of the Congregational church, the Congregational Ladies Aid society, and the New Idea club—in all of which she enjoyed taking an active part in so far as her health would permit. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in the home at 2:30 o’clock—Rev. J. C. Cromer officiating. Burial took place in Riverside cemetery.”

Joseph Oliver Edwards was a Sergeant, first class, in the World war—enlisting on September 17, 1917, in company D, Sixth Engineer corps. He was in over-sees service. He was mustered out and honorably discharged on June 29, 1919.

James Elmer Wilson was born March 8, 1880. He was graduated from the West Virginia university on June 20, 1907, with the degree of B. S. C. E. He was employed on July 3, 1907, with the Pennsylvania R. R. company as assistant on engineer corps and stationed in Logansport, Indiana; transferred on August 1, 1913, to Allegheny, Pa., as signal apprentice; transferred on November 1, 1915, to Alliance, Ohio, as signal inspector; transferred on June 1, 1920, to Canton, Ohio, as assistant signal supervisor; transferred on December 19, 1920, to Alliance, Ohio, as T. & S. foreman of tests; and transferred on April 1, 1926, to Canton, Ohio, as assistant supervisor of telegraph and signals. He was married on December 19, 1911, to Doris Helen Edwards, and to this union two children were born—William Jackson, December 2, 1913, and James Earl, August 31, 1920. This family is living, at present—1926, in Canton, Ohio.

Mary Jennet Wilson is living, at present—1926, with her father, Christopher Columbus, on the old homestead on Drake’s run. After the death of her mother, Mandilla, Mary decided to keep the home-fires burning by remaining on the farm and making the old home comfortable for her father. Her brothers will always appreciate the fact that she made it possible for them to be able to visit, and remember more vividly, this place which they all call “Home”.

Benjamin Franklin Wilson was married on January 27, 1909, to Zella Elizabeth Hall. Issue—Robert Franklin, born

December 10, 1911, in Mannington, W. Va.

Charles Lonnel Wilson, seventh and youngest child of Christopher Columbus and Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson was married on October 19, 1919, to Allie Hall. Allie is a sister to Zella Elizabeth who married Charles Lonnel's brother, Benjamin Franklin. Issue of Charles Lonnel and Allie Wilson, one child—Barbara June, born June 26, 1922, in Wheeling, W. Va.

The ancestry of Zella Elizabeth and Allie Hall is as follows:

The Hall family is probably of Scotch descent, although there are some who claim it to be German. The early Halls who settled in Eastern Virginia and in Monongalia county, W. Va., are from English stock. In the year 1775 Jacob Hall settled on the Monongahela river, opposite the Falls. John L. Hall was among the early settlers owning taxable property in this district in the year 1786. The following is found in Bucher and Callahan's "History of Upper Monongalia Valley."

The remotest ancestor of this family, of whom anything is definitely known, was Thomas Hall who was descended from Scotch-Irish ancestors. He was born September 24, 1724. He had two brothers—Moses, whose son, Jesse, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and David—a sea captain. Some of the early members of this family settled at Snow Hill, Maryland, while some settled in the state of Delaware. Thomas died at, or near, Duck creek cross-roads, Del., on May 29, 1772. He married a woman of English birth—Rebecca Story—who died Dec. 15, 1812. After the death of her husband, Rebecca lived among her children in Delaware until the close of the Revolutionary war. In 1781 Isaac Mason who married the oldest child of this family, together with Jordan Hall—the third child—migrated westward. In the following year other members followed and settled near the confluence of the Cheat and Monongahela rivers, near Morgantown, W. Va. They who migrated from Del. were: Rebecca Hall; Asa Hall with his wife and mother-in-law; Mrs. Margaret White; and Nathan, Jordan, Ryneer, Allen, and Rebecca.

Asa, son of Thomas and Rebecca Hall, was born in Delaware on January 20, 1758, and died June 9, 1815. Soon after arriving at Cheat river, he purchased 500 acres at the mouth of Buffalo creek for which he paid at the rate of twenty-five cents per acre. He was married on March 26, 1778, to Sophia, daughter of James and Margaret White. Sophia died August 25, 1818. Issue of Asa and Sophia Hall:

Thomas, born Jan. 11, 1779;

Reuben, born Sept. 18, 1780, died April 10, 1791;

Elisha, born Sept. 29, 1782;

Nathan, born July 25, 1784;

Elizabeth, born Sept. 1, 1786;

John, born April 22, 1788;

Silas, born Dec. 14, 1790, died May 5, 1807;
Allen, born June 3, 1793; and
Phoebe, born Sept 28, 1798.

This family, together with John, Elisha, and Jesse Hall, who settled in Sardis district, Harrison county, W. Va., in 1793, were progenitors of the Halls who are living in Monongalia, Harrison, and Marion counties, W. Va., at the present time—1926.

John Hall, the oldest member of this family of whom any record has been kept, was born in 1791 and died in 1851. He married, for his second wife, Mary Jane Jarvis who was born May 13, 1818, and died September 1, 1877. John lived on Clear Drain, Harrison county, died and was buried there. John and Mary Jane (nee Jarvis) Hall were the parents of the following children:

Granville Jarvis, born April 21, 1839;
Margaret Louise, born July 23, 1841;
William McCombs, born May 26, 1848, died April 13, 1900; and
Elizabeth Alice, born May 26, 1850.

William McCombs was married on February 19, 1874, to Elizabeth Kendall who was born January 16, 1857, and died March 5, 1899.

Mary Jane (nee Jarvis) Hall was married, secondly, to Lewis Linville who was born March 7, 1830, and died April 16, 1908.

Following are the children of William McCombs and Elizabeth (nee Kendall) Hall:

Stella A., born Jan. 15, 1875, died July 27, 1901;
Stephen A., born May 17, 1876;
Granville Lee, born May 16, 1878;
Cora Jane, born April 24, 1880;
Ora, born Feb. 15, 1882;
Lessie D., born July 28, 1884;
William, Jr., born August 31, 1886, died July 7, 1916;
Zella Elizabeth, born Sept. 22, 1888;
Allie, born Oct. 21, 1890;
Lamech Ray, born Dec. 7, 1892; and
Ivan Forest, born Oct. 14, 1894.

Stella A. was married on September 5, 1895, to Jesse Abiah Price who was born October 17, 1874. Issue of Jesse A. and Stella Price—Naomi Evelyn, born June 11, 1896; and Marguerite Ethelyn, born October 10, 1898. Naomi Evelyn was married on August 14, 1915, to Harry Brice Fluharty who was born January 22, 1896. Issue the following children:

Wayne Calford, born Sept. 22, 1916;
Virginia Catherine, born June 27, 1919;
Jesse Frederick, born April 4, 1921; and
Dallis Kirk, born August 26, 1922.

Marguerite Ethelyn Price was married on August 29, 1922, to William MacOlvin who was born April 3, 1898, in Sheffield, England.

Stephen A. Hall married Daisy Marie Shackelford who was born March 11, 1889. Issue—Veatrice, born January 17, 1909. They live in Rachel, W. Va.

Granville Lee Hall was married on April 24, 1907, to Myrtle Kuhn who was born April 18, 1882. Issue the following:

Byron Lee, born March 3, 1908;

Raymond Ozias, born Dec. 17, 1909;

Carleton William, born Jan. 6, 1913, died April 27, 1915;

Homer Franklin, born July 19, 1914; and

Eleanore Marie, born Sept. 24, 1919.

This family lives at the head of Brush run, near Mannington, W. Va., where Lee owns and operates a dairy farm.

Cora Jane Hall was married on April 22, 1902, to Charles Elliott Yost who was born March 25, 1877. Issue:

Edgar Lee, born Dec. 16, 1904;

Gertrude Lillian, born Oct. 29, 1906;

Kenneth Herbert, born Oct. 2, 1909;

Denzel Chester, born July 30, 1911;

Velma Leone, born April 7, 1915; and

Viola Myrtle, born Feb. 26, 1920.

Edgar Lee married Elsie Boyles and has one child—Melba Adaline. Charles and Cora Yost are living on the Hall homestead on Brush run where he does a little farming while not working at his regular trade of carpentry.

Ora Hall was married on October 28, 1916, to Hershel Jeffrey who was born March 21, 1878. They live in Marion, Ohio, and have one child—Elizabeth Adaline—born October 22, 1917.

William Hall, jr., married Goldie Floyd. He was killed by lightning on July 7, 1916 while working on his farm on Brush run. Zella Elizabeth Hall married Benjamin Franklin Wilson. Allie Hall married Charles Lonnel Wilson.

Lamech Ray Hall was married on April 17, 1915, to Bessie Fluharty who was born January 28, 1894.

The Jarvis connection with the family of William McCombs and Elizabeth (nee Kendall) Hall begins with John Jarvis. The following is found in Callahan's "History of Upper Monongalia County,"—this being an account of members of the Jarvis family who are connected with the Halls.

"This name is found widely spread throughout the United States. It is generally conceded that the Jarvises are of English extraction and of Norman stock. According to the 'Dictionnaire de la France,' the Gervais family-seat is at Breteigne, and the first found of this name is Jean Gervais who flourished about 1400. The name, however, is found in England at least an hundred years earlier than this time. There are various Gervais or Jarvis arms—both French and English

—while the name is familiar both in England and America. The family under immediate consideration is believed to have settled in Baltimore and is presumably of English origin. John, the first member of this family of whom we have definite information, probably lived in Baltimore in the first half of the eighteenth century. He had a son, Solomon.”

“Solomon Jarvis, the Harrison county, W. Va., pioneer, went to that county from Baltimore in 1788. He was a farmer. Joseph, son of Solomon Jarvis, lived in Harrison county, W. Va., and died in the prime of life. He was a shoemaker and married Lucy Beall whose parents moved at an early date from Connecticut and settled in Clarksburg, W. Va. — her father coming at the instance of a pioneer iron company in the capacity of superintendent of one of its departments.”

According to Henry Haymond’s “History of Harrison County,” the first known of this family, John Jarvis, enlisted for three years in the Revolutionary war, on Saint Patrick’s day (the year not known), in Maryland, in Capt. Mathews’ ‘Crew of Galley Defense.’ He served eighteen months and was discharged after having secured a substitute. John Jarvis was born about 1720 and died in 1795. He married Hannah (?) who was born in 1725 in Worcester county, Maryland, and died in 1800. They had a son, Solomon, who was born in 1753 in Worcester county and died in 1835 in Poplar Plains, Fleming county, Kentucky. He was married in 1774 to Margaret Haythorn who was born in 1758 and died in 1810. Solomon’s Revolutionary war record is as follows:

Enlisted January 25, 1776, at the age of 23 years; and was sergeant in 3rd, Maryland company (independent) Worcester county, Maryland. Reference: ‘Archives of Maryland, vol. 18, page 21, Muster roll, 3rd. inf. company, August 20, 1776.’ He applied for pension from Poplar Plains, Ky., March 10, 1829, at the age of 76 years (according to the commissioners of pensions, Washington, D. C.)

Following are the children of Solomon and Margaret Jarvis. John, George, Margaret, Solomon, jr., and Joseph. Margaret married John Field. Solomon, jr., had a son, Granville, who was the father of Anna Jarvis of Mother’s day fame. Joseph was born in 1795 and died in 1833. He was married in 1817 to Lucy, daughter of Thomas Beall, who was born in 1800 and died in 1852. The Bealls are from Connecticut. Joseph Jarvis was a shoemaker and worked with his brother-in-law, John Field. Following are the children of Joseph and Lucy Jarvis: Mary Jane, Lemuel Davidson, Margaret, and Noah. Mary Jane married John Hall. Lemuel Davidson was born in March, 1821, and died in 1896. He was married on June 12, 1862, to Martha L. McCann who was born February 9, 1833, and is still living—1925. Margaret was married first,

to Isaac Morris, and secondly, to Dr. Stuckler. Noah married Sophia Lytton. Mary Jane, daughter of Joseph Jarvis, is buried in the Mannington cemetery.

The Kendall family who are related to the Hall family are of English ancestry and were among the early settlers of Va.

In Virginia historical magazines, vol. 19, page 10, we find that the Kendalls of the Eastern Shore evidently came from the county of Norfolk, England, but, like many other members of the older families of that section, only a profound knowledge of the records possessed by the late T. T. Upsher would enable one to write a complete genealogy of this family. There were two branches of this family: One descended from Col. William Kendall, and another descended from his kinsman, John Kendall.

William Kendall was a member of the House of Burgesses from Northampton county during the session of March, 1657-58; September 1663, when he was styled "Lieut.-Colonel;" October, 1666, when he was styled "Colonel"; and probably during the session of the long assembly until 1676. He was speaker in 1683. He was for a long time an officer in the militia and was a justice of the county court. He was sent as one of the Virginia commissioners to treat with the Five Nations. He died in 1686, probably during his public service on the Rappahannock. It seems probable that this public service was in connection with an effort on the part of the government in trying to bring the Virginia Indians into peaceful relations with the Five Nations.

The will of William Kendall, sr.,—merchant—was dated December 29, 1685, and probated July 28, 1686. In this will he names the following beneficiaries: son-in-law, Hancock Lee; daughter, Mary; granddaughter, Ann Lee; son, William; John, son of John Kendall—his kinsman; his wife, Sarah; the eldest son of his brother, John Kendall, living near Brinton in Norfolk county, England; and his brother, Thomas, living in Norwich.

William Kendall, of Northampton county, died in 1696. In his will dated January 29, 1695, and probated July 28, 1696, he named the following legatees: son, William; daughter, Susanna; son, John; daughters Mason and Ann; and wife Ann.

William Kendall, jr., of Northampton county, died about 1718. He was probably married twice. In his will, dated 1708, Samuel Palmer names his son-in-law, William Kendall, of Northampton county, while a deed of Custis Kendall, gentleman, of Northampton county, dated November 20, 1728, to his mother, Sorrowful Margaret Cable, which refers to the will of his father, William Kendall. It is believed that this woman, Sorrowful Margaret Cable, to whom he referred, was a Custis. The will of William Kendall is recorded in full in

Northampton county, book 15, page 28. His legatees were: his son, John; an unborn child (later named Custis); daughter, Sarah; daughter, Ann Parks; and daughter, Palmer.

Custis Kendall was captain of the Fifth Virginia regiment in the Revolutionary war from June 1, 1776, to the end of the war.

There were three Kendall brothers who immigrated to this country about 1640 and settled in Northampton county. The "Kendalls" (a small pamphlet) published by William Montgomery Clemens, of Hackensack, New Jersey, is a description of Kendalls in America. This pamphlet was owned by the late Eli Kendall who was a direct descendant of this family. It gives the following information about the English Kendalls:

"Kendalls and Kendales—an old English family—were notable but not numerous throughout many centuries. They are centered, more or less, in county Westmoreland where the town of Kendall is located on the banks of the river Ken. The name is also found in counties Lancashire, Essex, Devon, Cornwall, and Derby. As early as the year 1265, Hugh de Kendall was a judge of one of the minor courts in Westmoreland."

"John Kendall, sheriff of Nottingham, was killed in the battle of Bosworth in 1485 while fighting in the army of Richard, III. In the year 1434, Edmond Kendall appeared in the court records as having been defendant in a lawsuit brought by John Broughton, arminger in St. Hilary."

"One branch of the Kendall family located in Thorpthules, county Durham, in 1573—coming to this place from Ripon, in county York, where they had lived for many years. The Duke of York's youngest son, known as 'Earl of Kendall,' died in May, 1677."

"The first ancestor of the Virginia Kendalls was Captain George Kendall who came to America with the first expedition in 1607. He was executed soon after his arrival. A little later two brothers, Edwin and Miles Kendall—both born in Bermuda—came to Virginia. They were cousins of George."

Although the Kendalls above mentioned are all of the same branch of this family, there is no recorded connections. The following is a record kept by this family: Samuel Kendall was born in 1747 in Eastern Virginia and died in Marion county, now W. Va., in 1821. He was of English ancestry and married a Smith. They had a son, Samuel, born in 1780, near Winchester, Frederick county, Virginia, and died January 29, 1854. Samuel, jr., married Mary Shuman who was born in 1786, in Winchester, Va., and died February 5, 1875. Samuel, jr., and Mary are buried in a graveyard near the Baptist church, on Dent's run, Marion county, W. Va. They were parents of the following children: Samuel, 3rd., Anna, Zebedee, Julius, Nancy, Helen, Rhoda, Belinda, Mariah, Daniel, and Mahala.

Samuel Kendall, 3rd., was born November 22, 1809. He married Elizabeth Baker. Issue—Elizabeth Ann, Alfred, Barbara, Eleanor, Zachariah, Uriah, Nerissa, Amelia, Sophia, Amos, Abraham, Bathsheba, and Clarissa.

Zebedee Kendall was born March 22, 1813. He married Amelia Baker. Issue—Deliah, Ameriah, Barbara June, Eli, Cornelius, Rohanna, Elizabeth, Eliza, Mary, Martha, and Amelia. Eli, of this family, married Clarissa Elma Cartright and they had issue—Homer, Jasper, Dora May, Odes Thornton, Minnie Marie, Zebedee, Tryphinia, Eli Curtis, Ray Franklin, William, and Lena Blanch. Eli the father of this family, whose death occurred in 1924, has given much information in regard to the Kendall family.

William Kendall, second child of Samuel, sr., was born November 18, 1781, and died January 28, 1855. He was born near Winchester, Va. He was married twice. Issue with first wife—Elias, Stephen, James, Eliza, Juda; a daughter who married John Shuman; and a daughter who married William Shuman. James was a physician. Eliza married John Wetzel. Juda married Nicholas Baker.

Lewis Higginbotham who now owns the farm which was once owned by the Kendalls and whose first wife was a descendant of Samuel Kendall, jr., and William A. Kendall—a grandson of William—who lives in Castle Rock, Colorado, say that Samuel and William Kendall were two brothers who came from the Blue Ridge vicinity in Virginia and were among the first settlers on Dent's run, Marion county, W. Va. William was a preacher and farmer.

Henry Baker, of Mannington, W. Va., states that Samuel Kendall, sr., with his two sons, Samuel, jr., and William settled on Dent's run. Family records show that Samuel, sr., died in Marion county.

Dr. James Kendall, son of Rev. William, was born January 9, 1822, and died December 18, 1883. His wife, Anna, was born in 1852 and died in 1914. Rev. Samuel Kendall son of Rev. William, was born in 1809 and died July 9, 1869. His wife Elizabeth, was born December 14, 1806, and died May 13, 1885. He was pastor of the Forks of Cheat Baptist church in 1848. Stephen Kendall, son of Rev. William, was born December 26, 1819, and died November 18, 1893. He was married on September 13, 1837, to Mary Ann Watson who was born November 18, 1817, and died April 26, 1862. Mary Ann is buried near the Baptist church on Dent's run, Marion county, West Virginia. Stephen left West Virginia in April, 1880, and located at Pass Conifer, Jefferson county, Colorado. He is buried in Bear Canyon, about five miles from Castle Rock, Col., on West Plom creek. Following are the children of Stephen and Mary Ann (nee Watson) Kendall:

Silas S., born July 23, 1839, died Jan. 16, 1908;
Eliza Ann, born Nov. 10, 1840, died April 11, 1905;
George M., born July 30, 1842, died Oct. 6, 1905;
Emaline, born June 17, 1844, died June 14, 1913;
James S., born Feb. 23, 1846, died Jan. 17, 1917;
Martha Ann, born Oct. 21, 1847, died Aug. 29, 1908;
William Ashbury, born June 7, 1850;
Elias M., born July 14, 1852, died Oct. 28, 1914;
Sarah Jane, born Oct. 19, 1854, died May 7, 1920; and
Elizabeth, born Jan. 16, 1857, died March 5, 1899.

Silas S. married Malissa (?). Martha Ann married Lamech Freeland who was born February 20, 1848, and is living at present on State's Fork run. William Asbury married Sarah A. (?) and is living in Castle Rock, Colorado. Elizabeth married William McCombs Hall.

The children of Silas S. and Malissa Kendall are: Jesse Scott, born June 6, 1861, married on November 15, 1892, to Sarah McCauley by Judge Palmer; Florence Mary Maria, born April 13, 1863, died July 30, 1904, married on May 20, 1883, to Mark L. Cathey by Rev. J. P. Stull; David Willie R., born February 1, 1867, married on May 12, 1891, to Ollie A. Smith by Rev. Long; James Franklin, born December 28, 1868, married on September 21, 1892, to Lottie M. Smith by Rev. Smith; Nellie Blanch, born December 1, 1871, married on May 10, 1892, to Philip D. Long by Rev. Smith; Charles Luther, born October 11, 1875, died August 10, 1907; Clara Myrtle, born August 22, 1877, married on August 29, 1910, to Delmar Manning by Rev. Hopkins; and Hugh Ames, born October 9, 1883, married May 27, 1918, to Effie Corbin by Judge Schadwell.

The children of William Asbury and Sarah A. Kendall are: Mary Maria, born May 23, 1875, and married on March 2, 1893, to Loey Z. Stevens by Rev. J. H. Merritt; Opal Maleta, born January 17, 1877, married on March 25, 1895, to Permeatus A. Mercer by Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot; Ovid Virgil, born November 23, 1880, died October 30, 1906, married on August 18, 1902, to Florence A. Ray by Rev. Davis; Edith Snider, born May 14, 1879, died January 25, 1903; and George Claud, born July 19, 1883.

The Barker family, whose connection with the Kendall family is through the mother of Mary Ann (nee Watson) Kendall, is of English ancestry. The first Barkers of whom we have any record were three brothers—Joseph, John and James—who migrated from Delaware to the Redstone district in Pennsylvania. In the year 1775 they settled in Cass district, Monongalia county, West Virginia. A little later, James, the father of Mary Ann Barker, settled on Buffalo creek and died there in 1822. James was a justice-of-the-peace. He was a corporal in the war of 1812. He married Amelia (?) and had

the following issue: Imlah, Nancy, Mary Ann, and Amariah. Mary Ann was married on June 16, 1808, to David Watson.

Joseph Barker, brother of James, married Catherine Carpenter, and they had the following issue: Aaron, David, Joseph, James, Moses, and two daughters.

We find, in Wiley's history, that Joseph, John and James Barker owned taxable property in Monongalia county in the year 1786. Members of this family supported the Union in the Civil war.

The Watson family is probably of English ancestry, although there are some members of this family who claim they are Scotch. Earliest records of the Kendall-Watson descendants show that the Watsons came to West Virginia from Maryland. Many early Watsons were found in Virginia, but the Kendall-Watson connection has not been traced to that branch.

The following record of Watsons is found in the Biographical cyclopedia of Marion and Taylor counties—this being the Watson branch which connects with the Kendalls:

“The Watson family is of English descent—the original immigrant and founder of the American branch having settled in Charles county, Maryland, prior to the Revolutionary war. He was said to have been married twice, and the father of several sons—among whom, were Joseph, Zephaniah, and James Green. His descendants are scattered throughout many states. The old homestead is situate on an eminence overlooking a beautiful country, near the village of Fort Tobacco, in Charles county, and was known as “Chestnut Ridge.” Here James Green Watson was born on February 23, 1756. He married Ann (nee Dyson) Swan who was born July 17, 1759. They had five children. James Green's second wife was Ann Reeder who died June 5, 1853—aged 96 years. He left Charles county in about 1800 and went to Morgantown—taking three sons, Thomas, Henry, and James Dent, and two daughters, Margaret and Mary Green, with him. He died March 8, 1834. Thomas married Rebecca, daughter of William and Cynthia (nee Carroll) Haymond. Henry married Cecelia Reeder. Henry built a home, after marriage, at Pine Grove, on White Day creek.

James Dent Watson was born July 1, 1794, and died November 2, 1865. He married Ann Marie, daughter of William and Cynthia Haymond. She died January 14, 1844. He then married Manerva, daughter of John S. Barnes. Manerva died in 1856.”

The following genealogy of this family is found in vol. 2, history of Upper Monongalia county by Butcher and Callahan:

“James Watson, the first of whom there is any record, came from Scotland with his three brothers and settled in St. Mary county, Maryland, prior to 1740. He married Mary

Green, a relative of General Nathaniel Green of Revolutionary war fame—as family tradition is handed down.”

“James Green Watson, son of the Scotch immigrant, James Watson, was born in St. Mary county, Maryland, February 23, 1756, and died in Monongalia county, Va., August 8, 1834. He was married about 1785 to Ann (nee Dyson) Swan—a widow, and daughter of John and Lydia Dyson. Ann was born September 6, 1759, and died in Monongalia county on August 27, 1817. Issue of James and Ann (nee Dyson), Swan, Watson—Margaret, born in 1787; Thomas; Henry, born in 1790; Mary Green, born in 1792; and James Dent, born in 1794. The father of this family was a planter and slave owner and a famous Indian fighter. He was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.”

In Hardesty's “Atlas of Marion and Harrison Counties”, we find that one of the first settlers in Union district, Marion county, was George Watson.

Lewis Higginbotham—a descendant of the Watsons—also says that the first Watson to settle in Marion county was George Watson with his family of three sons—George, jr., John, and David, and two daughters—“Peggy” and Susanna.

David, son of George Watson, sr., was born about 1780. He was married on June 16, 1808, to Mary Ann Barker who was a Homeopathist for 40 years. They were parents of the following children: Mary Ann who married Stephen Kendall; Anna Tacy who married John Looman; Cassady who married Robert Looman; Annie who married Anthony LeMasters; George who married Shelton LeMasters; John who married Mary Price; Henthorn who married Mary Edgel; and Haley who married Daniel Mike.

George Watson, sr., his wife, their son—David—and Mary Ann (nee Barker) Watson are all buried in the Watson private graveyard near the mouth of Mohan's run. This graveyard is on a farm now owned by the Blackshire family. The mouth of this small stream is the site of the first Watson settlement in Marion county. There are members of this family still living on Mohan's run. And they are also scattered throughout many of the states. Tradition says that some member of this family married an Indian and that this was through a Henthorn family but there were none who could vouch for this as being a fact.

Benjamin Franklin Wilson—author of this book—and his wife, Zella Elizabeth, and son, Robert Franklin, who are descendants of the above-named families, are living, at present—1926, in Wheeling, West Virginia. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal church of Elm Grove, Wheeling, W. Va. The author is a member of the A. F. & A. M., the Knights of Malta, and the I. O. O. F. Zella Elizabeth is an active worker in the church of which she is a member.

Charles Lonnel Wilson, whose wife Allie, and daughter, Barbara June, are also descendants of the above-named families, is living, at present—1926, in Alliance, Ohio, where he is employed with the Alliance Machine company. He is a member of the Knights of Malta and is secretary of the Mittong reunion association. They are members of the Methodist Episcopal church in that city.

Henry Lee, son of Christopher Columbus Wilson, married Elah Myrtly Shanks. They are parents of the following children:

James Edward, born August 22, 1912;
William Christopher, born June 24, 1914;
Henry Richard, born Dec. 17, 1915;
Charles Frederick, born Dec. 17, 1915;
Fleda Jean, born August 28, 1917;
Donnald Shanks, born Dec. 2, 1920; and
Patricia Margaret, born March 31, 1926.

The following genealogy of the Shanks family is found in the Biographical cyclopedia of Monongalia, Marion and Taylor counties—this being in substance the same as that related by John L. Shanks (now deceased) when he was living on Brush run, near the village of Mannington, West Virginia:

“John Shanks, a highly-respected citizen, a prosperous and extensive farmer of near Mannington, W. Va., served as a Union soldier in the Civil war. He was a son of Matthew and Martha (nee Jordan) Shanks and was born on Redstone creek, in Fayette county, Pa., on April 11, 1822. Matthew was a resident of Fayette county until 1823 when he moved to Morgantown, W. Va. He soon changed his residence to a farm on Doll’s run in the same county where he remained until 1854 when he moved to Mannington district where he died in 1858—aged 75 years. He was a tanner by trade, but followed farming the greater part of his life. He was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Christian church. He served in the war of 1812 as a private in a company of Pa. infantry commanded by Capt. Andrew Moore—1812-1814—and was in the siege of Ft. Meigs. He married Martha, daughter of Edward Jordan, and seven children were born to this union.”

John Shanks was moved from his birthplace when he was only one year old. In 1856, or two years after his father moved to Mannington district, John also moved into that district and settled near his father on Brush run. John was also of the same political faith and religious belief as his father. He served in the militia in 1863. He was called out to help check Jones’ Confederate raid in that year. Two years later, or on January 24, 1865, he enlisted at Mannington in company P., 6th W. Va. infantry, and saw service in Grafton, Wheeling, and other points. He was discharged in Wheeling in June, 1865. He was married on November 20, 1845, to Eliza, daugh-

ter of Peter Barrackman, and they had the following issue: Elma, born September 6, 1846, and Martha, born October 4, 1847. Elma married Peter Yost. Martha married James Cunningham. John's wife, Eliza, died on January 14, 1848—aged 24 years. John was married on August 13, 1848, to Elizabeth, daughter of Moses Sine. She was born September 9, 1821, and died January 10, 1891. Following are issue of John and Elizabeth Shanks:

Minerva, born July 1, 1849, died June 13, 1886;
Lucy, born Dec. 26, 1851;
Moses L., born Nov. 29, 1853;
Simon, born March 24, 1857;
William Christy, born April 1, 1859, died July 27, 1914;
E. Jordan, born Nov. 29, 1863; and
John Lindsay, born (?), died (?).

Minerva married David McDiffitt. Lucy married Newton Yost. She is still living. Moses married Ella Byard and they are living at the mouth of Brush run. Simon was married first, to Mattie Kemp, and secondly, to Mary Weimer. William Christy was married first, to Kate Thompson, and secondly, to Elizabeth Kuhn who was born December 26, 1856, and died October 29, 1904. E. Jordan married Mary Jane Linville and they are living on Brush run. John Lindsay married Emma Waychoff who died May 24, 1894. The Shanks family is of German ancestry.

Moses Sine was born January 12, 1792, and died December 24, 1872. He married Sarah Christy who was born May 25, 1799, and died December 5, 1874. They had a daughter, Elizabeth, born September 9, 1821, and died January 10, 1891. Elizabeth married John Shanks.

The Kuhn family is of German ancestry. We find in the Biographical cyclopedia of Monongalia, Marion, and Taylor counties, the following account of this family:

“John Kuhn was a native of Germany. He immigrated to the United States and settled in Green county, Pa., where he followed farming. He was a soldier in the war of 1812, a Whig in politics and a member of the M. E. church. He died at the age of 90 years. He married Nancy Downer and they had six children—among whom, Daniel was one of the older. Daniel was born in Green county in 1814 and died in Monongalia county, W. Va., in 1886. Daniel was a farmer, a Republican in politics, and for several years a member of the county commission. He married Mary, daughter of James Wells. She was of English ancestry. They had eight children—among whom, was William.”

William, son of Daniel and Mary (nee Wells) Kuhn, was born on October 21, 1833, and died May 5, 1909. He was married on December 21, 1854, to Amanda, a natural daughter of Mary Whetzel. William was a lieutenant in the Civil war—

serving for 25 days. He was a Republican in politics and a member of the M. E. church. Amanda Whetzel was born July 24, 1834, and died August 28, 1907. Amanda's mother, Mary, later married Joseph Jones. The Whetzel ancestry of this family merges with the family of Lewis Wetzel who was a famous Indian fighter around Wheeling, W. Va. Members of these families making this connection could not be designated.

Following are the children of William and Amanda Kuhn:

Ozias, born Dec. 17, 1855;

Mary Elizabeth, born Dec. 26, 1856, died Oct. 29, 1904;

Remembrance B., born Feb. 15, 1858;

Martha Jane, born May 24, 1863, died Feb. 16, 1926;

Margaret M., born May 24, 1863;

William Forest, born Oct. 27, 1871;

Rebecca Ann, born July 30, 1874, died March 12, 1926;

John Newton, born June 20, 1875; and

Rosa Myrtle, born Dec. 12, 1876.

Ozias was married twice: first, to Estaline Thomas, and secondly, to Cordelia Ann Wells. One son born to the first union died in infancy. To the second union were born two sons and seven daughters (living) and two children dying in infancy. Cordelia Ann died October 4, 1913. Ozias is living at present in Cambridge, Ohio. Mary Elizabeth was married first, to Wateman Sine, and secondly, to Wm. Christy Shanks. Issue of the first union, two boys—Brutis and Harry. Issue of the second union, three girls—Elah Myrtle, who married Henry Lee Wilson; Vista who was married first, to Burt Masters, and secondly, to Homer Masters; and Fleda. R. B. Kuhn married Zella Scott. Margaret M. was married on May 17, 1885, to Robert Bruce Ash who was born on October 12, 1855. Their genealogy is given with the Glover family. Wm. Forest married Ota Campbell. Rebecca Ann married James A. Morgan. John Newton married Myrtle Crim. Rosa Myrtle married Chas. J. Wilson. Martha Jane married Frank Toothman. William and Amanda Kuhn lived and reared the above children on Llewelyn, a small branch of Flat run.

Henry Lee and Elah Myrtle (nee Shanks) Wilson are living at present in Mannington, W. Va., where Henry is employed with the Mannington Pottery company. Elah is a member of, and active worker in, the Baptist church in that village.

The Pixlers, who are ancestors of the wife of Luther Jackson Wilson, are of German ancestry. The first immigrant was Peter Pixler. He emigrated from Palatinate, Germany, and landed in the United States on October 10, 1727. We find the name of Samuel and William Pixler in the war of 1812, and William W. Pixler in the Civil war. The following account of this family is taken from "Biographical Cyclopedia of Monongalia, Marion, and Taylor Counties":

“The Pixlers are of German origin and figured among the pioneer settlers of Lancaster county, Pa. John Pixler was born on a farm in that county on June 5, 1801. He broke away from the vocation of his ancestors and learned the trade of tanner. While yet a young man he located on the Forks of Cheat river where he engaged in tanning. He only pursued this trade for a few years when he sold the plant and invested the money in a farm. He left this place in 1830 and moved to a farm situate near Morgantown where he remained until his death on July 10, 1869. He was a member of the Baptist church. He married Elizabeth Henry who was a daughter of James Henry—a native of Ireland who settled in Union district while yet a young man. Elizabeth Henry was born October 18, 1804. John Pixler and Elizabeth Henry were married on April 5, 1825, and had the following issue: James T., Mary A., John W., Elizabeth, William W., Martha E., and Margaret J. James T. was a preacher.

James T. Pixler was born in Stewarttown on January 24, 1826. He was married on December 9, 1874, to Huldah Weaver who was born in 1824, and died July 6, 1918. Issue—Clark who married Mary Fortney; Susan who married a Lavern; John M.; and Arlington George.

Arlington George, son of Rev. James Pixler, was born November 12, 1861, and died March 12, 1903. He was married on May 27, 1886, to Cora Belle Selby who was born September 23, 1868. Issue:

Cecyle, born August 22, 1887;

Dana Floyd, born March 3, 1890, died Oct. 2, 1890;

Bertha Lee, born Oct. 7, 1891;

Everette A., born Dec. 31, 1894;

Irene V., born Jan. 18, 1898;

Elsie, born Jan. 15, 1901; and

George, born Sept. 6, 1903, died June 6, 1907.

Cora Belle (nee Selby) Pixler, mother of this family, is living, at present—1926, with her children in Morgantown, W. Va.

The Guseman family who are related by marriage to the Pixler family are of German ancestry and are lineal ancestors of Cora Belle (nee Selby) Pixler. The author is indebted to a descendant of this family, Rev. Jacob Matlick, who is living at present in Des Moines, Iowa, for the genealogy of this family.

In Rupps 30,000 names, page 251, we find on September 14, 1751, ship St. Andrews—James Abercrombie, Captain—from Rotterdam, and last from Cowes, on board were eight Roman Catholics, ten Mennonites, and the rest of the 230 passengers were Calvinists. Among this list was Abraham Gusman who is the progenitor of the many families of that name.

Abraham spelled his name "Gusman" instead of "Guseman"—as it is now used.

In Wiley's "History of Preston County", we find that Jacob, son of Abraham Guseman—a Revolutionary war soldier—located on the site of what is now King's Mill, on Muddy creek, where he purchased what was known as "Corn-Cracker". This was a mill used for crushing corn. He was married in 1815 to Christinia Wolf who was a cousin of Lewis and Martin Wetzel. Issue—Mary, Susannah, Sophia, Isaac, John W., Joseph, John Abraham, Jacob J., and Amos.

The following information is given by Rev. Matlick:

"John and Abraham Guseman with their sister, Sophia, (Originally from Lancaster county, Pa.) located at Harper's Ferry and obtained employment in the armory at that place. The father of these three was Abraham Guseman, sr., who located in Lancaster county, Pa. His son Abraham, jr., is the one whose line of descent we shall follow."

"In deportment, the Gusemans were very dignified, sensitively zealous of the integrity of their honor, and scrupulously careful of their morals. A more hospitable people cannot be found. They are natural mechanics of such genius as to be able to design and construct many things of a very delicate and intricate nature."

"We have no knowledge, either by history or tradition, from what part of Germany they originally came. Nor do we know anything about their rank in the Fatherland. But knowing the present generations of this family as we do, we cannot draw any other conclusion than that our ancestors in Germany belonged to an erudite and aristocratic family. We are led to believe from our own observations that such genius for designing and skill for executing these designs must have been inherent in this family from a long line of highly-educated ancestors. They were firm believers in the dignity of honest labor and regarded it as the only means of a real and substantial prosperity. We know that the sons and grandsons of Abraham Gusemen, as well as their noble sire, were noted geniuses—being skilled artisans as gunsmiths, silversmiths, cabinet makers, carpenters, millwrights, machinists, and millers."

"At the beginning of the Revolutionary war, John and Abraham Gusemen enlisted in a company which was organized in Berkeley county, Virginia, and served seven years as privates. Quoting the 'American Monthly Magazines' published by the 'National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolutionary War,' in the issue of May, 1911, under the caption, 'Mrs. Susanna (nee Guseman) Cobun': 'Her father, Abraham Guseman, who enlisted in the Revolutionary army at Harper's Ferry when only seventeen years of age, served his country faithfully for seven years. He was wounded three times

and carried the bullet which he received in his first engagement throughout his life. His second wound was a saber cut on the head which he received during a cavalry charge. In the latter part of his seventh year of service, he was so severely wounded that he was entirely incapacitated for combatant service. During the remainder of that year he repaired flintlocks for the other soldiers."

"After the war, Abraham Guseman, together with his brother, John, and sister, Sophia, located in Martinsburg, Berkeley county, West Virginia, where he engaged in the silversmith and clock-making trade. His clocks were of a distinctive type of construction. The mechanism was made of brass, enclosed in an elaborately-finished, black-walnut cabinet, and indicated seconds, minutes, days of month, and lunar changes."

"Abraham Guseman married Susannah Henlock who died about nine days later of Typhoid fever. He married Catherine Bernard about 1781. She died in 1793. He married Elizabeth Ralphsnider about 1798. About the time of his third marriage he moved his large family from Martinsburg to a distant frontier settlement west of the Allegheny mountains. Following the trail of Gen. Braddock and Col. George Washington up the Potomac to Fort Cumberland, he continued in the direction of Fort Morgan, on the Monongahela river, and settled on Decker's creek about six miles from its confluence with the Monongahela at Morgantown. As soon as they got comfortably settled in their frontier home, Abraham applied himself to his trades of farming, silversmithing, and clock-making. It is said that he build the first piano in West Virginia."

In the early part of the nineteenth century, Abraham Guseman started the erection of a large flour-mill. This mill was constructed of large, split blocks of sandstone. The foundation was built on the bed-rock of the creek. This mill is still standing—1926, and is located near the village of Dellslow, on the Morgantown and Kingwood railroad. The first carding machine to be operated in that part of the state was built, assembled, and operated in this mill, by Abraham Guseman."

Following are the children of Abraham and Catherine (nee Bernard) Guseman:

- John, born Nov. 23, 1782, died July 8, 1785;
- Abraham, jr., born May 20, 1784, died Aug. 28, 1871;
- Jacob, born Feb. 14, 1786, died Mar. 15, 1878;
- Marie, born Feb. 25, 1787, died in infancy;
- Johannes, born Sept. 4, 1788, died (?);
- Joseph, born Nov. 29, 1789, died Feb. 27, 1881;
- Isaac, born May 20, 1791, died Sept. 18, 1871; and
- Sophia, born June 22, 1792, died (?).

Abraham, jr., married Nancy (?). Jacob married in 1815 to Christeena Wolf who was born September 25, 1795, and died

September 12, 1880. Johannes was married on April 27, 1823 to a Stewart. Joseph was married on April 30, 1822, to Mary Jackson who died May 7, 1852. Isaac was married on December 20, 1810, to Jane Reed who died September 5, 1861. Sophia was married on August 1, 1813, to Joseph Fast who was born November 23, 1787.

Issue of Abraham and Elizabeth (nee Ralphsnider) Guseman are :

Elizabeth, born May 16, 1799, died May 13, 1876;
 Mary, born August 6, 1801, died Oct. 22, 1866;
 Sarah, born about 1803;
 Catherine, born about 1805;
 Christiana, born Feb. 4, 1807, died Feb. 19, 1902;
 Susannah, born Feb. 14, 1809, died March 20, 1910;
 Rebecca, born (?), died (?);
 William David, born Nov. 13, 1816, died March 29, 1897; and
 Aaron Henry, born May 2, 1818, died (?).

Elizabeth was married in September, 1820, to James Reed who was born May 23, 1797, and died January 13, 1880. Mary married Jacob Newman who was born March 6, 1802, and died December 19, 1876. Sarah married a Meeks. Catherine married a Watts. Christiana was married about 1828 to Zachariah Patten who died in 1850. Susannah married Samuel Cobun. Rebecca married a Ryan. William David was married first, to Mary A Drabell on March 11, 1841, and secondly, to Mrs. Hannah A. (nee Vance) Baker on April 6, 1865. Mary A. was born March 25, 1820, and died February 24, 1862. Aaron Henry was married on January 21, 1840, to Angeline Lock who was born May 24, 1819, and died August 6, 1907.

Abraham Guseman, father of the above-named family, was crushed to death on November 27, 1821, by a heavy beam of wood while making repairs to his mill. He was buried in the near-by, Pierpoint graveyard. He was a member of the Lutheran Evangelical church.

John and Sophia, brother and sister of Abraham Guseman, each married and reared large families in Martinsburg, W. Va.

Following are the children of Jacob and Mary (nee Guseman) Newman:

Abraham, born May 25, 1827, died June 8, 1858;
 Nancy Jane, born Dec. 28, 1828, died (?);
 Mary Elizabeth, born Oct. 21, 1830, died Oct. 28, 1838;
 Samuel G., born Oct. 13, 1832, died Jan. 19, 1865;
 John T., born Oct. 9, 1834, died (?);
 Sarah Sophia, born Oct. 15, 1836, died Feb. 16, 1861;
 Isaac D., born Dec. 29, 1838, died (?);
 Mary Angeline, born August 4, 1840; and
 Jacob, born Dec. 14, 1842.

Nancy Jane married Lot Stewart. Samuel G. married Sarah Smith. John T. was married on January 9, 1862, to Nancy C. Stephens who died August 9, 1895. Isaac D. was married on January 15, 1862, to Sarah Stewart. Jacob married S. E. Steel who died in 1911. Mary Angeline was married on September 27, 1866, to Leonard Selby who was born October 6, 1842, and died January 14, 1915. The parents of this family lived a short distance east of Morgantown, W. Va.

Following are the children of Leonard and Mary Angeline (nee Newman) Selby: Cora Belle who married Arlington George Pixler; Eva who married William Hartzman; and Bert who married Nellie Furman. Arlington George and Cora Belle Pixler are the parents of Bertha Lee who married Luther Jackson Wilson.

Luther Jackson and Bertha (nee Pixler) Wilson are living, at present—1926, in Morgantown, W. Va. "Jack" was employed at Down's station and at Morgantown with the Eureka Pipe-line company as telegraph operator before the outbreak of the World war and for a short time after. He is employed at present as bookkeeper and salesman with the Morgantown Lumber company. He enlisted on December 11, 1917, in the U. S. navy, at Parkersburg, W. Va., and was sent to a receiving ship stationed at Norfolk, Va. From there he was transferred on January 22, 1918, to a receiving ship at Hampton Roads—leaving there on March 15, 1918, and placed on the U. S. S. Georgia, where he remained until June 20, 1918. On June 27, 1918, he was transferred to the S. S. Gulfoil. He remained on this ship until May 20, 1919, and was then transferred to the S. S. Gulf Queen—remaining with this ship until July 1, 1919. He was then sent to a receiving ship at New York and transferred on July 11, 1919, to the super-dreadnaught, U. S. S. Arizona, and remained with this ship while it was in dry-dock until August 10, 1919. This ship was used in transporting the American Expeditionary Forces between the United States and France and also in patrolling foreign waters. "Jack" was on this ship only while it was in the Brooklyn dock. On August 10, 1919, he was sent to a receiving ship at Hampton Roads where he received his discharge on August 19, 1919. The S. S. Gulfoil and S. S. Gulf-Queen were used in transporting gasoline and refined oils between points in the United States. The U. S. S. Georgia was used as a training ship. "Jack" served as a wireless operator on these ships.

He is a member of the A. F. and A. M., and the American Legion in Mannington, W. Va. His wife, Bertha, is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Service Star Legion. She is employed in the Monongalia county recorder's office in Morgantown where she has been doing clerical and stenographic work for several years. The author acknowledges with gratitude her kind office in assisting in

the compilation of the many records of our families in the files of this court.

Lawrence Early (better known as Dick) Wilson is operating an oil and gas station for the Eureka Pipe-line company at Sand Fork, W. Va. He married Mabel Clayton on August 9, 1924. Issue one child—Margaret Elizabeth, born July 12, 1925. Due to the recent marriage of “Dick” and Mabel Clayton, we shall be able to give only a resume of her ancestors.

John Clayton married Cynthia Lancaster. They had a son, Frank, who was born in 1821 and died in 1887. Frank married Elizabeth Davis who was born in 1828, and died in 1909. Frank and Elizabeth had a son, David Linsey, who was born October 18, 1857. David was married on June 29, 1889, to Nancy Ellen Lawson who was born March 3, 1864. Issue of David Linsey and Nancy Ellen (nee Lawson) Clayton—Mabel, who married “Dick” Wilson.

Peter Prichard married Betsy Willis and they had a daughter, Anna, who was born in 1807 and died in 1851. Anna was married in 1832 to Bushrod Washington Lawson. Bushrod Washington was a son of William and Eliza (nee Marshall) Lawson. He was born in Virginia in 1808 and died in 1914. Issue of Bushrod Washington and Anna (nee Prichard) Lawson—Nancy Ellen, who married David Linsey Clayton.

Lawrence Early Wilson enlisted in the army for World war service in Mannington, W. Va., on September 19, 1917. He departed from that place on September 20, 1917, and upon arrival at Camp Lee, Virginia, was immediately placed in training with Headquarters company, 314 Field artillery. He remained in this camp until May 24, 1918, when his company entrained for Norfolk, Va. Here they boarded the transport, America, and left port on May 26, 1918. They landed at Brest, France, on June 8, 1918, where they were placed in a rest camp for four days. The transport ship, America, was convoyed on this trip by the following ships: Ula, Henderson, Huron, McCreary, Monongalia, Henry R. Mallery, Von Steuben, and Tenadores.

The 314th Field artillery left Brest on June 13, 1918, on one of the world-war-famed, French trains known as “Quarante hommes ou huit chevaux” (40 men or 8 horses) and arrived at Redon, a village of about 10,000 inhabitants, situate about forty miles northeast of St. Nazaire. They pitched tents and rested the first night in a hayfield near this village. On the morning of the second day they were assembled, marched through the village, and billeted in homes of the villagers. In a few days some of them were sent to Camp de Coquidau, near Rennes, for a six-week training course. “Dick” studied radio telegraphy. After finishing their course they returned and joined their regiment at Redon. On August 18, 1918, they left Redon for Camp de Meucon, a distance of forty-five miles—

arriving there on August 11. They marched this distance—stopping at the end of the first day at Begranne; the second, at Muzillae; the third, at Thiex; and arrived at Camp de Meucon on the fourth day. This camp was located eight miles from Vannes. They left this camp by train on September 12—going through Paris—and arrived at a small village where they left the train. From this village they marched by night and slept by day until September 16, when they arrived at Camp Souilly which was but a short distance from the battle-front. They left this camp the night of September 22, for the front-line—arriving there and getting into position on the morning of September 23 when they were under fire for the first time.

Although “Dick” has been very reluctant in telling about the many hardships during his front-line service, we have induced him to state in brief a few of his experiences in the trenches. We quote below his own narration, knowing that future generations of his kin will be indeed proud to know that he was one among millions who so loved their home and country that he was willing to give his life for them:

“On the morning of September 23, 1918, we had our first experience of real warfare. I set up my radio outfit on the morning of September 26. When everything was made ready, the artillery laid down a barrage on the enemy and our boys went “Over the Top” with fine results. We then moved forward. This was the beginning of real action for the 314th Field artillery in this war and we continued until the armistice was signed on November 11, 1918. We kept moving forward slowly up “Death Valley” by way of “Dead Man’s Hill.” We always made our advances on Sundays—usually under heavy shell-fire, but always with excellent results. On Nov. 10—the day before the firing ceased—I received a slight wound on the left shoulder, caused by a high-explosive shell. On November 11, when everything had been silenced, we were very slow about getting out of the trenches, but finally realized the fact that we were no longer in danger of being fired upon. We were located at this time on the Meuse and marched from this place to Dun which is also on the Meuse river. We remained there until nine o’clock the next morning when we boarded a train for Nuits—going via Verdun. We marched from Nuits to the small village of Sezanne, and from there to Brest via Chateau du Loir. We embarked on the ship Zeppelin at Brest and sailed from there on May 17, 1919—arriving at Newport News in the good old U. S. A. on May 28, 1919. Here we debarked and marched to Camp Stewart where we remained until June. We then took the Old Dominion liner up the James river to our original camp—Camp Lee. We soon received our discharge papers and returned home.”

“Dick” was a sergeant during the war and acting-second lieutenant part of the time.

Charles Lonnel Wilson, the youngest child of Christopher Columbus and Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson, was born on the old homestead on Drake’s run, near Mannington, W. Va., on July 23, 1893. He attended the original seats of learning of his sister and five older brothers—the Beegum Public-school, and the Mannington High-school. He was employed with the Morgan Engineering company at Alliance, Ohio, on April 15, 1915, and in the fall of that year, with the Alliance Structural company. He enlisted for World war service at Wheeling, W. Va., on December 13, 1917—going to Columbus, Ohio, from which place he was sent to Second Training battalion, Kelly Field, Texas. He was later transferred to the 42nd Aero squadron, located at Camp Waco, Texas, and from there to the 71st Aero squadron, Love Field detachment, Love Field, Texas. He remained here until the end of the war and was discharged on March 29, 1919.

Charles (“The Kid” as he is designated by relatives and intimate friends) is living at present in Alliance, Ohio, where he is employed with the Alliance Structural company.

CHAPTER VIII

THE BROOKE FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

The Brooke family is of English origin—the original immigrant being Robert Brooke who was born in London June 3, 1602. He died in Maryland on June 20, 1663. He was educated for the clergy and graduated from Oxford university. He was married first, to Mary Baker, and secondly, to Mary Mainwarning on May 11, 1635.

Mary Baker was the only daughter of Thomas Baker, of Battle. Thomas' wife, Mary, was a daughter of Sir Thomas Engham—Knight of Goodstone, in Kent.

Issue of Robert and Mary (nee Baker) Brooke, four children—Baker, born November 16, 1627; Mary; Major Thomas, born June 23, 1632; and Barbara. Mary and Barbara both died young.

Mary Mainwarning was the second daughter of Roger Mainwarning, D. D., Dean of Worcester, and Bishop of St. David in 1636.

Issue of Robert and Mary (nee Mainwarning) Brooke, eleven children—Charles, born Nov. 3, 1636; Roger; Robert, jr., born April 21, 1639; John; Mary; William, born December 1, 1643; Anne, Francis, Basil, Eliza, and Henry.

In 1650 Robert Brooke embarked with his second wife, Mary, and ten children and arrived in Maryland, ~~U. S. A.~~, on June 29, 1650. They settled on the Patuxent river in that state and named their new home "De-la-Brooke-Manor." His second wife, Mary, died November 29, 1663.

We have been unable to learn anything definite about the father of Robert Brooke, the first immigrant to this country, but we are reasonably sure that his name was either Richard, jr., Robert, or Thomas. The grandfather of Robert was Richard, sr., who was born in 1520 and died in 1593. Richard, sr., was married in 1552 to Elizabeth Twine who died in 1598. Richard, sr., and Elizabeth are buried in the Parish church, at Whitchurch, where his son and grandson were at one time rectors.

Richard, sr., and Elizabeth (nee Twine) Brooke had a son, Richard, jr. They also had two grandsons—Richard, and Humphry—who were brothers of Robert Brooke, of Maryland. Richard, sr., who was born at Whitchurch, Hampshire county, England, was a wealthy banker. He made a will in 1593. He had three sons—Richard, jr., Robert, and Thomas (one of

whom was the father of Robert Brooke of Maryland) and three daughters—Elizabeth, Barbara, and Dorothea.

Thomas the third son of Richard, sr., and Elizabeth (nee Twine) Brooke, was born at Whitechurch in 1567. He was married in 1590 to Susan, daughter of Thomas Foster who was a Judge of the court of Common Pleas.

The Fosters belonged to one of the older branches of the Etherstone family who lived in county Durham. They were grandsons of Alexander Coyns—earl of Duncan. Coyns was a descendant of Roger de Quincy who was earl of Winchester and one of the Magna Charter barons, and from David, the first king of Scotland.

The father of King David was Malcolm, 3rd., who married Margaret, daughter of Edward (The outlaw). Edward was a son of Edmund (Ironsides), the Saxon king of England. King David's grandfather, Duncin, 1st., was assassinated by Macbeth. This royal lineage goes back in an unbroken line to Fergus, 2nd., king of Scotland, A. D., 404.

The Brooke family, (vol. 9, page 314, Virginia magazines) notwithstanding the fact that they were outnumbered by many other families in the United States, was represented in the Virginia charter of 1609 by four of its members, viz: Sir Calisthenes Brooke, Sir John Brooke, Christopher Brooke (gent.), and Richard Brooke (gent.), who are mentioned as having been among the incorporators of the Virginia company.

The eighth Lord Cobham (Henry Brooke) was a friend of Sir Walter Raleigh (vol. 2, p. 833, Va. magazines.)

Christopher Brooke was a distinguished lawyer about 1603. It is not improbable that he was an ancestor of the Christopher Brooke who, 129 years later, stood as godfather at the baptism of George Washington in 1732.

In "Foster's Collections of Genealogies," (1-20) the ancestry of this family is traced back to William, the Conqueror, who was crowned in A. D. 1066, and died September 9, 1087. King William married Maud, a daughter of Baldwin. Baldwin was earl of Flanders and a descendant of Charlemagne and Alfred the Great.

(2) Henry, I, was crowned on August 6, 1100, and died December 1, 1135. He married Maud, daughter of Malcolm—king of the Scots. She died May 1, 1188.

(3) Maud, daughter of King Henry, 1, and his wife Maud, was married first, to Henry IV—emperor of Germany—and secondly, to Geoffrey Plantaganet—count of Anjou and son of Anjou. Geoffrey Plantaganet died September 7, 1150, and his wife, Maud, died September 11, 1167. Emperor Henry IV died without issue.

(4) Henry II was crowned on December 19, 1154, and died July 7, 1187. He married Eleanor, duchess of Guienne, who was a daughter and heiress of William, duke of Aquitaine.

(5) King John II was born December 24, 1167, and died October 12, 1216. He was crowned May 27, 1199. His second wife was Isabel, daughter and heiress of Aymer who was count of Angoulenne. Isabel died in 1246.

(6) Henry III was born October 1, 1206, and died November 16, 1272. He was crowned on October 28, 1216. He was married on January 14, 1236, to Eleanor who was the second daughter and co-heiress of Raymond Beranger, count of Provence. Eleanor died June 25, 1291.

(7) Edward I was born June 17, 1239, and died July 7, 1307. He was crowned on August 19, 1274. He was married first to Eleanor who was a daughter of Ferdinand III, king of Castile. Eleanor died November 27, 1290.

(8) Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Edward I, died May 5, 1316—aged 32 years. Her second husband was Humphrey de Bohun, earl of Hereford and Essex, who was killed in the battle of Boroughbridge, county York, on March 16, 1321.

(9) Margaret de Bohun, daughter of Humphry de Bohun, died December 16, 1391. She was married on August 31, 1338, to Hugh Courtney, earl of Devon, K. G., who was born July 12, 1302, and died in May, 1377.

(10) Margaret Courtney, daughter of Margaret de Bohun, married John de Cobham, the third lord summoned to parliament between 1355 and 1407. John de Cobham died January 10, 1407, or 1408.

(11) Joan de Cobham, an only daughter and heiress of Margaret Courtney and John de Cobham, was married to Sir John de la Pole who died May 31, 1379, or 1380.

(12) Joan de la Pole, an only daughter of Joan de Cobham and Sir John de la Pole, died January 13, 1433, or 1434. Her second husband was Sir Reginald Braybrooke who died September 20, 1405.

(13) Joan Braybrooke, heiress to the barony of Cobham, was a daughter of Joan de la Pole and Sir Reginald Braybrooke. She was married in 1410 to Sir Thomas Brooke, of Holditch, county Devon, who died in 1438.

(14) Edward Brooke, son of Joan Braybrooke and Sir Thomas Brooke, was Lord Cobham in parliament, 1445-1463. He married Elizabeth, daughter of James (Lord) Audley. Edward Brooke died May 9, 1469.

(15) John Brooke, son of Edward and Elizabeth Brooke, was Lord Cobham in parliament, 1472-1511. He was born in 1446 and died March 9, 1511. He was married first, to Margaret who was a daughter of Edward Nevill (Lord Abergavenny). Margaret was born in Cobham on September 30, 1500.

(16) Sir Thomas Brooke, son of John and Margaret Brooke, was Lord Cobham in parliament, 1514-1522. He was married first, to Dorothy, daughter of Sir Henry Heydon.

Among members of the above-named families of English royalty and the peerage and from whom the Brooke family is descended, we find the family name of "Thomas" which is a name also found to be widely used among the present generations.

In vol. 13, pages 120, 200, and 334, and also in vol. 14, pages 220, 325, and 436, of the "Virginia Historical Magazines", is found a very good genealogy of the Brooke families who settled in Virginia. The Virginia Brookes were cousins to the Maryland Brookes who were progenitors of the family of Brooke who are related by marriage to the descendants of Jacob M. Mittong.

The following Brookes saw service in the Revolutionary war: George Brooke, of Manapike; Col. J. H. Brooke, of Faquier; Capt. William Brooke; Capt. Humphrey Brooke; and Lieutenant Francis Brooke—all of the Virginia branch—and Commodore Brooke, and Edmond Brooke,—of the Maryland branch. Reuben Brooke, of the Virginia branch, was in the Virginia Navy.

In the Virginia historical magazines is found an account (by Miss H. B. Booker, of Charleston, W. Va.) of the war record of Commodore Walter Brooke. Miss Booker is one of Walter Brooke's descendants. Walter Brooke was probably either a grandson or great-grandson of Robert Brooke, the immigrant. He was one of only three officers of that rank who was in the Virginia navy during the Revolutionary war at that time. This account was published in the July number of the magazine and is (except wording changed for clarity) as follows:

"Walter Brooke was a direct descendant from the first of this name, Robert Brooke, who settled in Maryland ye 29th day of June, 1650, in ye 48th year of his age, with his wife, ten children, and 28 white servants. He was the first that did seat Patuxent, about 20 miles up the river, at de-la-Brooke. From these eight sons and two daughters of Robert Brooke, numerous descendants did spread from St. Mary county to the counties of Charles, Prince George, and Montgomery, Maryland, while some probably migrated to Virginia. Walter Brooke was a native of Charles county where his father, Thomas, resided at his estate, Chickamuxen, on the Potomac river. Thomas married into the Mason family, of Virginia. Walter later took up residence in that state—which accounts for him having been in the Virginia navy. Thomas died before his son, Walter, had attained his majority."

"Walter showed little inclination to settle down quietly to the life of a planter, but instead, displayed a love of adventure

which he might have inherited from the early settler, Robert. Walter was sailing a vessel from London to Alexandria when he received a letter from the navy department dated February 16, 1775. According to records of the navy board at Williamsburg, he was captain of the ship, Liberty, in August, 1776."

"In the "Journal of the Virginia Council," dated April 8, 1777, appears this entry: 'On the recommendation of the navy board, it is ordered that a commission issue, appointing Walter Brooke a Commodore of the navy of this state.' He resigned September 30, 1778—being compelled to do so on account of failing health which was caused by repeated attacks of gout. He died with this malady at his home, "Retirement," in Fairfax county, Virginia, in January, 1778."

"Upon his death, George Washington said: 'If ever there was an honest man, Commodore Brooke was one'."

In recognition of his war service, the state of Virginia settled 10,000 acres of land upon Walter's descendants. (See military warrants, vol. 3, page 184.)

This brings us up to the records of the Brooke family which have been furnished by Mrs. Arizona (nee Brooke) Thompson.

Thomas Brooke, ^{III} eldest son of Hon. Thomas Brooke, married Lucy Smith who was the eldest daughter of Col. Walter and Rachel Smith. They had the following children:

Thomas, born April 30, 1706;
Walter, born Dec. 29, 1708;
Mary, born Oct. 8, 1709;
Annie, born June 16, 1711;
Nathaniel, born March 1, 1712;
Lucy, born Oct. 15, 1714;
✓ Richard, born June 2, 1716;
Eleanor, born March 7, 1718;
Rachel, born Aug. 12, 1719;
Lucy, born April 18, 1721;
Isaac, born July 22, 1722;
Rebecca, born July 22, 1722;
Elizabeth, born Sept. 25, 1724;
Daniel, born May 5, 1726;
Charles, born Dec. 14, 1727;
Robert, born Nov. 25, 1728; and
Clement, born Sept. 1, 1730.

The name, Robert, which was common in the Brooke families prior to the family of Thomas and Lucy Brooke, was not used by this family and apparently has been dropped by succeeding families.

Dr. Richard Brooke, seventh child of Thomas and Lucy Brooke, married Rebecca, daughter of Thomas and Rachel Gault. Rachel Gault was a daughter of Col. John Smith who

served in the Revolutionary war was from Talbot county, Maryland. Richard and Rebecca were married on November 1, 1767, and they had two children—Thomas Frederick, born July 27, 1770; and Sarah, born in 1772.

Thomas Frederick Brooke was baptized July 27, 1771, by Rev. Edmond Gault. His sponsors were: Col. John Thomas (of the Gaults) and his lady, Sophia, who was a sister of the Earl of Abermarle—by their sponsors, Basel Warring and his wife—and the Hon. Col. William Fairfax and his lady, in their persons.

Sarah Brooke married Capt. Samuel Harper, of Alexandria, Va.

Thomas Frederick Brooke died in 1836. He was married on June 21, 1791, to Annie F., daughter of Thomas Duckett. Annie Duckett was born October 24, 1772. Issue of Thomas Frederick and Annie (nee Duckett) Brooke:

Richard, born May 16, 1792;

Thomas Duckett, born August 30, 1793;

Richard, born August 22, 1795;

Samuel Harper, born Oct. 13, 1797;

~~John~~ John Bowie, born Oct. 24, 1799;—*M. Elmer Coddington*

Priscilla Bowie, born Dec. 3, 1801;

Matthew Eversfield, born Nov. 26, 1803, died Oct. 8, 1871;

Allen Duckett, born March 17, 1806.

Edward Gantt, Benjamin, Sarah H., James, Rachel, Theophilus, and Mary E.

Matthew Eversfield Brooke was married on April 1, 1830, to Charity Michael who was born May 18, 1807, and died January 2, 1886. They were parents of the following children:

Alpheus Eversfield, born August 3, 1831, died Sept. 20, 1863;

Malvina J., born March 17, 1834;

Alcinda Fairfax, born August 5, 1836;

Allen Michael, born Jan. 29, 1838, died Jan. 20, 1924;

Matthew S., born Feb. 8, 1840, died July 30, 1917;

Rachel Ann, born May 9, 1846, died Dec. 13, 1870;

and William Thomas, born Dec. 12, 1849, died July 12, 1911.

These children were all born near Brandonville—a small village, near Morgantown, W. Va. Matthew Eversfield was probably the first of the family of Brooke who migrated from Maryland and settled in West Virginia.

At the time of his death, Allen Michael Brooke lived on a farm situate on Ten-mile creek, near the village of Lumberport, Harrison county, W. Va. He was married on April 7, 1861, to Sarah Jane Talkington who was born September 15, 1842. She is, at present—1926, living among her children. Allen Brooke and his wife lived together for more than 62

years. They were parents of the following children:

Alva Owen, born June 23, 1862;
Elizabeth Alice, born August 2, 1864;
Clinton Grant, born May 21, 1868;
Arizona Virginia, born Sept. 23, 1870; and
Wesley Allen, born Jan. 22, 1874.

Alva Owen and Elizabeth Alice were born on State's Fork creek, Marion county, W. Va., while Clinton Grant, Arizona Virginia, and Wesley Allen, were born at Beegum, in the same county.

Alva Owen Brooke was married on March 11, 1886, to Columbia Bell Harbert who was born April 26, 1865, and died September 15, 1914. They had two sons—Okey W., born March 21, 1887; and Clark E., born August 14, 1891. Alva is living, at present—1926, on a farm adjoining that of his late father. Alva's two sons, Okey and Clark, are married and living in Cleveland, Ohio.

Elizabeth Alice was married on September 28, 1882, to Henry Harrison Mittong who was a son of Jacob M. Mittong. Their genealogy is given elsewhere in this book.

Clinton Grant Brooke was married on September 30, 1896, to Margaret Franklin. Issue, one son—Laurence Allen, born February 8, 1908. This family is living in Lumberport, W. Va.

Arizona Virginia Brooke was married on October 7, 1920, to Ballard Thompson who was born December 6, 1878.

Wesley Allen Brooke was married on October 22, 1893, to Annie Swiger. Issue, two daughters—Nina O., born August 2, 1894; and Esther W., born October 18, 1906. This family is living in Lumberport, W. Va.

The Hartleys are Quakers of English descent. They immigrated to America from England sometime prior to 1702—probably about 1682, or 1683. There were four of them—all brothers—who came from England. There were, perhaps, other brothers who came along about that time, but at present we know of only these four—Anthony, James, Edward, and Henry.

Edward and Henry Hartley settled in Solebury township, Bucks county, Pa., near Philadelphia, prior to 1702. Anthony Hartley was a wine merchant. He purchased land in Philadelphia in 1714 and died there in 1732. Anthony probably died without issue, since his will does not name any children. He bequeathed his estate to his two brothers—James and Henry; to his sister, Mary; and to his wife, Mary.

Edward Hartley was living in Solebury township on May 28, 1702, because, a deed was made to him on that date for 300 acres of land in that township where he lived until his death in 1745. He had conveyed the greater part of his estate to his two sons, Thomas and Roger, before his death. Edward was not a member of the Society of Friends, but both of his sons

made application for membership in the Buckingham meeting in 1724. This farm is situate near the boundary-line of Buckingham and Solbury townships and within less than one mile of the Buckingham meeting house where the Friends of both townships worshipped until 1810 when a meeting house was erected. The will of Edward Hartley is registered in the register of wills' office, in Doilestown, in will-book no. 2, page 52, and is dated June 14, 1745. In his will he bequeathed his estate to his daughter Jennet Hughes; to his son, Thomas; to the several children of his son, Roger, as each arrives at the age of twenty-one years; and real-estate to his sons, Thomas and John.

Roger Hartley, the second son of Edward, died September 3, 1743, in his forty-first year. He was married on June 21, 1727, to Rebecca Parker. After the death of her husband, Roger, Rebecca married Matthew Aspden and they had issue, one son—Matthew Aspden, jr. Matthew Aspden, jr., died without issue—leaving his large estate to his half-brothers and half-sisters, and to their many descendants who, at that time, were widely scattered throughout many of the states. This estate has been the cause of much agitation and litigation among members of this family from that time down to the present.

The children of Roger and Rebecca (nee Parker) Hartley were as follows: Jennet, who died unmarried; Bathsheba, who died in infancy; Ann, who married William Hinchman; Roger, who was married three times; Benjamin James—a merchant in Philadelphia—who married and died without issue; Bathsheba (the second child by this name) married a Zane Rebecca, who married John Haigh, of New Jersey; and, John, who died in 1757—leaving a widow, Sarah, and the following children: William, Judith, John, Jonathan, Ann, and Thomas. Ann and Thomas were under age when the father, John, died.

Thomas Hartley, son of Edward—one of the immigrant brothers, was born about 1700 and died in 1787. He made application for membership in the Society of Friends at the Buckingham meeting on October 1, 1724, and was admitted two months later in February, 1725, or 1726, he declared intentions of marriage, in the meeting, to Elizabeth Paxon, of Solebury. On March 1, of that year, they were granted permission to accomplish their said intentions according to the good order maintained among Friends.

On June 19, 1727, Thomas' father, Edward, conveyed to him 100 acres of land which was a part of the old homestead. Upon the death of his father he was bequeathed another 100 acres from the same farm. In addition to the 200 acres he already possessed, Thomas purchased adjoining lands until, at his death, he owned about 500 acres lying continuously in Solebury township, north of the present borough of Lahaska.

In Thomas' will, dated January 27, 1787, he bequeathed land to his sons, Anthony, Benjamin, and William, and daughter, Lettie Rice, and 100 pounds to his son, Joseph. And other legacies to grandchildren, etc.

Following are the issue of Thomas and Elizabeth (nee Paxon) Hartley; Sarah, born in 1726, married Jacob Beans, Mary, born in 1727, died in 1746; Thomas, jr., born in 1729, died in 1746; Anthony, born in 1730, was married twice, and had several children; William, born in 1732, married Katherine Fisher in 1757, died in 1805, and left issue; Elizabeth, born in 1734, married John Fell in 1753, and had issue; Martha, born in 1735, married Luke Williams and had issue—five children; Ann, born in 1738, married James Hill in 1757, and had issue; Rachel, born in 1740, married Ephriam Smith in 1765; Joseph, born October 18, 1742, was married first, on May 27, 1765, to Sarah Richards, and secondly, on November 8, 1767, to Elizabeth Wasson; and Mahlon, born in 1749.

Mahlon Hartley was married in 1773 to Hannah Moon. They moved to Green county, Pa. and he died there in 1824.

Joseph and Elizabeth Hartley had a son, Joseph, who moved to Ohio.

Joseph Hartley was married out of unity with the Friends—his wife being a non-member of this sect. His case was investigated in the Buckingham meeting in August 1765. Since it was proved that he had been forwarned against this act, by one of the Friends, and since he married without the consent of his parents, he was disowned by the meeting on January 6, 1766. He died January 9, 1824. Joseph's first wife, Sarah, was a daughter of Isaac and Lyda Richards. Sarah was born December 16, 1749, and died July 13, 1766. One child was born to this union—Benjamin, on June 8, 1766. Joseph's second wife was Elizabeth Wasson. She was a daughter of John and Ann Wasson. Elizabeth was born October 12, 1747, and died December 6, 1834. Issue of Joseph and Elizabeth (nee Wason) Hartley, ten children—as follows:

Camelia, born Aug. 28, 1768, died June 2, 1838;

Ulysses, born Oct. 21, 1770, died Aug. 5, 1793;

Joseph, born Feb. 10, 1773, died June 28, 1868;

Polly, born Sept. 21, 1775;

Horatio Gates, born Dec. 6, 1777, died Feb. 1, 1851;

Elisha, born July 28, 1781, died Feb. 12, 1785;

Edward, born Oct. 19, 1783, died Feb. 27, 1863;

Elijah, born August 19, 1785, died Dec. 24, 1864;

Elizabeth, born July 7, 1789, died August 25, 1793; and

Amos Garrett, born March 10, 1792, died August 28, 1833.

After the death of Joseph, the father of this family, his wife, Elizabeth, went to Boothsville, Virginia (now West Virginia), to live with her daughter, Polly, who married Thomas Wilson. Elizabeth died there and is buried near this village.

Joseph, the third child of Joseph and Elizabeth (nee Wasson) Hartley, was married on Nov. 13, 1794, to Ann Hoult. She was a daughter of Ralph and Ann (nee Owen) Hoult, and was born in Montgomery county, Maryland, on August 15, 1775. She died in Marion county, W. Va., on October 12, 1853. Joseph and Ann are buried in the Prickett graveyard, near the mouth of Prickett's creek.

Ann (nee Hoult) Hartley had three brothers and four sisters—as follows:

Lawrence, born Nov. 2, 1760;
 William, born March 6, 1763, died Sept. 29, 1827;
 Elizabeth Simpson, born Jan. 16, 1765, died in 1833;
 Dorcas, born May 10, 1767, died Dec. 29, 1805;
 Barbara, born April 28, 1769;
 John, born Jan. 28, 1771; and
 Rebecca, born May 23, 1773.

Dorcas married John Hammond. Barbara married a Hickman. Rebecca married a Lewis.

Following are the children of Joseph and Ann (nee Hoult) Hartley:

Ulysses, born Nov. 3, 1795, died March 8, 1796;
 Polly, born August 17, 1797, died April 28, 1877;
 Ralph, born Nov. 4, 1799, died May 21, 1806;
 Elizabeth W., born June 11, 1802, died April 5, 1888;
 Mahala, born May 24, 1804, died Oct. 26, 1880;
 Ann H., born Dec. 29, 1806, died July 30, 1887;
 Nathan, born July 22, 1809, died July 4, 1871;
 Hannah, born Sept. 20, 1811, died Oct. 26, 1879;
 Sarah O., born May 10, 1814, died April 10, 1902; and
 Joseph Owen, born July 29, 1817, died May 26, 1889.

Polly was married on March 2, 1815, to John Kinkaid. Elizabeth W. was married on October 9, 1828, to Abraham Talkington who was born January 13, 1802, and died July 13, 1864. Neither Mahala nor Ann H. ever married. Nathan was married on December 9, 1832, to Elizabeth Hoult. Hannah was married on June 7, 1832, to John J. Prickett. Sarah O. was married on January 8, 1835, to Jacob Prickett. Joseph Owen was married on August 30, 1838, to Jemima A. Prickett.

Following are the children of Abraham and Elizabeth (nee Hartley) Talkington:

Mary Ann, born August 5, 1829, died Feb. 21, 1871;
 Joseph H., born Jan. 27, 1831, (still living);
 Abraham Owen, born June 21, 1833, died Sept. 24, 1901;
 Marcy Ellen, born Feb. 27, 1835;
 Jesse N., born Jan. 29, 1838, died Feb. 4, 1917;
 Nathan W., born Sept. 17, 1840, died Dec. 28, 1920;
 Sarah Jane, born Sept. 15, 1842, (still living); and
 Allen, born and died in 1844.

This family were all born on Maud's run, Marion county, West Virginia. Mary Ann was married on March 14, 1850, to Ashbury R. Duncan. Joseph H. was married first, on May 8, 1858, to Sarah Jane Caton who died February 12, 1862, and secondly, to Lizzie (Elizabeth) Vancleve who died March 14, 1894. Abraham Owen was married on February 2, 1862, to Sarah Downs. Marcy Ellen was married on September 22, 1864, to VanBurin Ogden who was born Nov. 27, 1837, Jesse N. was married on February 7, 1859, to Alcinda F. Brooke who died July 27, 1903. Nathan W. was married on April 2, 1865, to Harriet Caton. Sarah Jane was married on April 7, 1861, to Allen Michael Brooke.

Abraham Talkington's father, Jesse, was born in 1773 and died October 24, 1852. He married Mary Crow who was born August 8, 1773, and died in July, 1851.

According to Butcher and Callahan's history of Upper Monongalia county, vol. 2, the Hartley's living in the Fairmont district are of Welsh descent, while the Hartleys, above-described, are traced to English stock.

CHAPTER IX

THE HENRY H. MITTONG FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

Henry Harrison Mittong was born March 7, 1861. He was married on September 28, 1882, to Elizabeth Alice Brooke who was born August 2, 1864. To this union the following children were born:

Launcy Okley, August 20, 1883, died June 10, 1884;
Curtis Otto, August 17, 1885;
Essie Jane, Oct. 4, 1889;
Hazel Brooke, July 7, 1895; and
Hallie Helen, Oct. 1, 1901.

Launcy Okley was born at Metz, Marion county, W. Va. He was buried in a graveyard, near Beegum, W. Va., on the farm then owned by Allen Michael Brooke, and now owned by R. B. Ash. Okley was later exhumed and re-interred at Lumberport, W. Va.

Curtis Otto Mittong was born near Beegum, W. Va. He was married on May 26, 1907, to Nellie Bly Sutton by Rev. G. D. Griffin. Nellie was born December 2, 1890. They are parents of two children—Mildred Wyvett, born at Bula, W. Va., April 12, 1908; and Kenneth, in Bula on September 29, 1909. Curtis started to work for the B. & O. railroad as telegraph operator on February 7, 1902. After working for eight months he obtained a leave-of-absence in order to attend school. He again started to work for the same company in the spring of 1903. He worked at several locations between Glover Gap and Wheeling, W. Va. He resigned from his job with the railroad in August, 1905, and was employed with the Hope Natural Gas company in Mannington, W. Va. He was sent to the Schute Regulating station in Doddridge county and later to the Round Bottom Measuring station, in Marshall county, and from there to Bula, Monongalia county. He was transferred from this station and promoted to gas dispatcher and stationed in Clarksburg, and is, at present—1926, engaged in this work. He is a member of Herman lodge, number 6, A. F. and A. M., at Clarksburg, and of Adamston lodge, number 263, I. O. O. F. His wife, Nellie, is a member of the Rebekahs. This family are all members of, and active workers in, the Methodist church in Adamston, West Virginia.

The Sutton family is of English ancestry. The name "Sutton" is an old and honorable one. Sometime before 1650, Elizabeth, George, John, Lambert, and Richard, emigrated from England and settled in the state of Massachusetts. The many descendants from these five pioneers scattered through-

out many of the states—including Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia.

The first of this family of whom any record has been kept was the paternal grandfather of Nellie Bly (nee Sutton) Mitton, John Maxon Sutton, who was born in Doddridge county, West Virginia, in 1838. He was killed by a falling tree in 1862. He was a son of Reuben D. and Emily (nee Maxon) Sutton. He married Elizabeth Randolph who was born in Doddridge county on January 25, 1845, and died February 5, 1917, in Salem, W. Va. After John's death his widow, Elizabeth, married Granderson Davis—a pioneer settler of Doddridge county.

John M. and Elizabeth had one child—Alexander Lafayette, born March 24, 1861. He married Elmira Missouri Tate who was born July 17, 1866. They are both living (in 1926) and have one child—Nellie Bly.

The maternal ancestry of Nellie Bly (nee Sutton) Mitton is traced back to Hugh Tate. He married Betsy (Elizabeth) Randolph and they had a son—Mark William, born June 29, 1841, and died March 10, 1913. Mark William was married in 1859 to Catherine, daughter of Felix Robinson and Patty Ann (nee Stark) Coffman. Catherine was born July 5, 1842, and died September 2, 1912. Mark William and Catherine (nee Coffman) Tate had a daughter—Elmira Missouri, born at Cascara, Doddridge county, West Virginia. The family of Felix Coffman were pioneer settlers in Doddridge county.

The Randolph family (above-mentioned) can probably be traced to a connection with an Indian family.

Essie Jane, the third child of H. H. Mitton, was married on March 8, 1911, to William Edward Robinson, jr., who was born March 24, 1881. They were married by Rev. King. William Edward was born near Warrenton, Virginia. He attended William and Mary College, at Williamsburg, Virginia. He is a member of the A. F. and A. M., and I. O. O. F. lodges. This family is living in Warrenton, Va., where William is in business as a plumbing contractor.

William Edward and Essie Jane (nee Mitton) Robinson are parents of three children, as follows—all born in Warrenton: Wilber, December 11, 1913; Elizabeth Frances, February 3, 1915; and Richard Dale, January 31, 1917.

Warrenton is within about sixty miles of the locality in Montgomery county, Maryland, where Essie's great-grandfather, Zadock Clark, was born.

The Virginia Robinsons, from whom William Edward is descended, were among the first families who settled in that state during the early colonization of America. This name is found in Virginia history as early as 1634. It is also scattered throughout the Virginia magazines where they are de-

scribed as having lived in England many centuries before immigrating to Virginia. They were of Scandinavian origin. The Robinsons who came to Virginia during colonial times were from York county, England.

The first ancestor of William Edward Robinson, jr., of whom we have any definite knowledge, was James Robinson who was born October 23, 1809, in Spotsylvania county, near Fredericksburg, Virginia, and died September 29, 1913. In early life he was a carpenter by trade, but later became a prosperous farmer and slave owner. He was married first, to Elizabeth Minton Hill, and secondly, to Mary Anne Gill. Elizabeth was born April 6, 1803, and died October 8, 1838. Mary Anne was born June 22, 1813, and died May 6, 1877. To the first union were born—James Francis, John Henry, and Elizabeth. To the second union were born—William Edward, Jennie, Wilsie Gill, Mary Eliza, Susan, Samuel, and Lyman.

Joel Mann was born December 9, 1812, and died April 12, 1912, in Batavia, New York. He was graduated from the State Normal school and was an instructor for several years. He was a farmer during his later years. He married Sallie Ann Bullard who was born August 10, 1832, and died June 18, 1903. He and his wife lived in Warrenton, Virginia, and had issue—Rodman, Elizabeth, Mary, Emma, Jessie, Joel, William, and Charlie.

Wilsie Gill Robinson was born near Warrenton, Virginia, on January 22, 1848, and died August 4, 1923. He was married on March 3, 1880, to Emma Mann who was born September 12, 1859. He was a farmer and had the following issue: William Edward, jr., who married Essie Jane Mittong; Cecil Vernon, Mary Anne, Joel, and James Albert.

Hazel Brooke, the fourth child of H. H. Mittong, was married on May 25, 1913, to Otis Clayborn Looman by Rev. Lawson. Otis was born May 3, 1886. Two children were born to this union—Helen Winfred, June 16, 1916, at Central Station, W. Va.; and Robert Harrison, September 22, 1918, at Summers, W. Va. This family lived, immediately after marriage in 1913, in West Union, W. Va. In that same year they moved to Central Station. They moved to Summers in 1916; to Pennsboro in 1920; and to Lost Creek in 1921 where Otis is engaged in the mercantile trade. Before moving to Lost Creek, Otis was employed with the West Virginia Gas company as foreman. He is a member of the A. F. and A. M. and K. of P. lodges. They are both members of the M. E. church.

Moses Looman was born about 1785. He was married in 1811, in Clarksburg, W. Va., to Lucy Higginbotham who was born about 1788. They had one son—John L., born December 28, 1816, and died April 10, 1900.

John L. Looman was married on March 21, 1841, to Anna Tacy Watson who was born June 10, 1819, and died February 13, 1879. Anna Tacy was a daughter of David and Mary Ann (nee Barker) Watson who were married on June 16, 1808, and a granddaughter of George Watson who, with his family, were among the first settlers in Mannington district. George Watson settled on a farm at the mouth of Mohan's run. This is now the property of the Blackshire family. On this farm is the Watson graveyard in which most of the Watsons in that neighborhood are buried. Issue of John L. and Anna Tacy (nee Watson) Looman, one son—John Wesley, born December 17, 1854.

John Wesley Looman was married on June 13, 1875, to Rosalie Moore who was born August 9, 1858. John and Rosalie are still living—1926.

Anna Tacy's maternal grandparents were James and Amelia Barker. James Barker died in 1822.

The Barkers migrated from Delaware to Redstone, Pennsylvania. From there they went to, and settled in, Monongalia county, West Virginia, in 1775. There were three brothers—James, the ancestor of the families of Barkers referred to in this book; Joseph, and John. James settled somewhere on Buffalo creek. A more complete account of the Barker and Watson families is found elsewhere in this book.

The maternal grandfather of Otis C. Looman was Franklin Moore who was a son of Elias and Mary Moore. Franklin was born February 14, 1826, and died February 19, 1865.

Franklin Moore married Louisa Jane, a daughter of John and Nancy Amos. Louisa Jane was born July 31, 1827, and died June 23, 1909. Issue of Franklin and Louisa Jane (nee Amos) Moore—Rosalie, who married John W. Looman. Issue of John W. and Rosalie (nee Moore) Looman, a son, Otis C.

Hallie Helen, the youngest child of H. H. Mittong, was married on August 29, 1916, to Granville Truman Knight who was born February 15, 1890. They are parents of two children—Rosmond Eileen, born February 1, 1918, and Harry Dale, born October 30, 1919—both born in Lumberport, W. Va. This family is living in this village where Granville Truman is engaged in the mercantile trade.

Gustaves Knight was born in Norway in 1778. He immigrated to America where we find him later serving in the war of 1812, at Norfolk, Virginia. He married Lucy (?) and had a son, James, who was born in 1808 and died in 1865.

James Knight married Nancy Hardway who was a daughter of Jacob and Sarah Hardway. Nancy was born in 1812 and died in 1880. They had a son—Granville Knight, born February 15, 1841, and died August 30, 1915.

Granville Knight was married on August 23, 1868, to Oline Frances Wiseman who was born on Simpson creek April 4, 1849. Oline is still living—1926. Her grandfather, Benjamin Wiseman, was of Scotch-Irish ancestry and was killed during the war of 1812. Benjamin Wiseman married a Stewart who was a Scotch girl and they had a son—Benjamin, who married Mary Constable.

Benjamin, jr., and his wife Mary (nee Constable) Wiseman had a daughter Oline Frances.

CHAPTER X

THE ROWAND FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS

The Rowand family is of Scottish origin. Although there are records giving conflicting dates about the arrival of the original immigrant Rowand in America, there is no doubt about the place of his nativity.

The following information in regard to the early Rowand family has been given to us by Judge Harry H. Rowand, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania:

“The first ancestor of whom we have any record was Ellicksander Rowand who came along with other Quakers from near Paisley, county Renfrew, in southern Scotland, to America in 1675. Among some of his descendants were: (1) John Rowand—1723-1801, who was married to Sarah Matlick by the Society of Friends in Haddonfield, New Jersey, on September 1, 1744 (old style). On the certificate of this marriage is found the names of thirty-seven witnesses. From this certificate is where we find the name “Ellicksander”. This certificate is in the possession of Mrs. W. H., Millie E. Perret, of Collingwood, New Jersey, who is a great-great-granddaughter of Thomas Rowand—1783-1857. A photograph of this certificate with a translation of same accompanies this information.”

“John Rowand (2)—1760-1841, married Frances Linville in 1780. They had a son, Thomas, born in 1783 and died in 1857. Thomas married Elizabeth Sharp on September 1, 1805. Thomas and Elizabeth had a son, Archibald Hamilton Rowand, born in 1820 and died in 1891. Archibald Hamilton married Catherine Parkhill Greer on May 22, 1842.

“John (2), Jacob, James, and Alexander [sons of John (1) and grandsons of Ellicksander] settled, according to tradition (in one case a record) in, or near, Camden, New Jersey. They lived in this vicinity for sometime but later separated. One of them migrated further north and some of his descendants are found in Rhode Island.”

“John Rowand (1) owned a farm near Haddonfield, New Jersey. The settlement, or village, of Rowandstown was located on a part of this tract of land. This village is now called Westmont and is in Camden county.”

“So far as we have been able to learn, the children of John Rowand (1) were:

Jacob, born about 1750, who, as shown by marriage license book in the office of secretary of state, in Trenton, N. J., was

married in 1771 to Annie Heppard; James, of whom we have no record, was born about 1752; Alexander, born about 1754; and John."

"Alexander Rowand owned and operated a blacksmith shop and store at Haddon avenue and Tanner street, Haddonfield, New Jersey, from September 8, 1775, to November 13, 1786. He was following this same business at Sycamore Lick on August 7, 1789; at Strat's station from October 6, to November 6, 1789; and at West Fork on October 7, 1790. The last three-named places are situate in Harrison county, West Virginia. The above information has been obtained from his ledger which is now in the possession of his great-grandson, Benjamin Franklin Rowand, of Bridgeport, W. Va. This ledger shows numerous transactions in Haddonfield (pages 1 to 223) and a few in Virginia (pages 1 to 17), which closed his business transactions at the last three places."

"The last transaction in Haddonfield was on November 13, 1786. He probably left Haddonfield at about this time, but we have no record of his whereabouts from this time until August 7, 1789, when he started his business in Virginia (now W. Va.)."

"He lost his valuable farm of two hundred acres in Virginia under foreclosure after he had used it as surety for the debt of a friend."

"On the cover of his ledger is plainly written,

" 'Alexander Rowand
his book of accounts
September ye 8th, 1775.' "

Alexander Rowand was married in 1785 to Phoebe Clement, of Gloucester county. This was his second marriage. The above records do not give any information about his first marriage.

The following information has been obtained from the family Bible of John Rowand (2):

John Rowand (2) was born in 1760 and died March 10, 1841. He was married in 1780 to Frances Linville, in Darby, New Jersey. She was not a Quakeress. She was from Lancaster county, Pa., born in 1755, and died April 4, 1839.

John (2) and Frances (nee Linville) Rowand had the following children:

Mary, born Jan. 24, 1782, died May 27, 1830;

Thomas, born Oct. 30, 1783, died Nov. 6, 1857;

Sarah, born May 14, 1785, died (?);

William, born June 18, 1787, died (?);

Arthur, born April 18, 1789, died July 4, 1790;

John (3), born Dec. 31, 1790, died March 11, 1811;

Elizabeth, born August 7, 1793, died March 20, 1846;

Abigal, born August 14, 1795, died April 28, 1847;

Jacob Linville, born Oct. 10, 1799, died Sept. 14, 1880;
and

Edward, born Oct. 20, 1801, died August 9, 1802.

Thomas Rowand, of the above family, had the following issue:

Joseph Terrepine, born in 1807, died in 1876;

Charles Lewis, born in 1808, died in 1871;

John Randolph, born in 1811, died in 1875;

Joseph Sharp, born in 1813;

Hannah Anne, born in 1815, died in 1870;

Mary Risdon, born in 1817, died in 1873;

Archibald Hamilton, born in 1820, died in 1891; and

Thomas Weston, born in 1827, died in 1873.

The Rowands living in and around Pittsburgh, Pa., are descendants of Archibald Hamilton Rowand.

The descendants of Thomas Rowand are living in and around Philadelphia, Pa. We have not obtained any records of this branch.

The following is a copy of the marriage certificate of John Rowand and Sarah Matlick, dated September 1, 1744 (old style), with all of its imperfections, peculiarities and provincialisms carefully compared and corrected to agree with the original, by A. T. Rowand, 1912:

“Whereas John Rowand of the Township of Waterford, in the County of Gloucester & Province of West New Jersey, sone of Ellicksander Rowand deceased and Sarah Matlick Daughter of John Matlick of the Township County & Province aforesaid, having declared their intentions of Marriage with each other before several monthly meetings of the People called Quakers, at Haddonfield according to the Good order used amongst them & having the consent of Relations Concerned, their said Proposals of Marriage was allowed by the said Meeting. Now They are to Certifie, whom it may concern, that for the full accomplishing their said intentions, this First Day of the ninth month in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred & forty four. They the said John Rowand & Sarah Matlick appeared in public meeting of said People at Haddonfield aforesaid and the said John Rowand taking the said Sarah Matlick by the hand, did in a Solemn manner openly declare that he took her the sd. Sarah Matlick to be his wife promising through the Lord's assistance to be unto her a loving and Faithful Hufband until Death should separate them and then & there in the same assembly the said Sarah Matlick did in like manner Declare that she took John Rowand to be her Hufband promising through the Lord's assistance to be unto him a loving & faithful wife until death should separate them, and moreover they the said John Rowand & Sarah Matlick She according to the custom of marriage assuming the name of hufband as a further confirmation thereof did

then & there to these prefents sett their hands and we whofe names are hereunder also subscribed Being Prefent at the Solemnazation of the said marriage and subscription have as Witness thereunto set our hands the day and year above Written."

John T. Rowand was born about 1786 and died in 1852. According to the marriage license, book 1, page 112, at Clarksburg, W. Va., he was married in 1810 to Hannah Cochran. Some of the living descendants say that John T. Rowand came to this country from Scotland about 1800. This is traditional and probably wrong because in records of the Rowand family which are in the possession of B. F. Rowand, we find that John T. was a son of Alexander and Phoebe (nee Clement) Rowand. Following are the children of John T. and Hannah (nee Cochran) Rowand; Daniel F., Mary E., Joseph H., Elizabeth E., George W., Sarah A., and Martha J.

Joseph H. Rowand was born April 4, 1814, and died February 17, 1911. He was married on October 20, 1836, to Elizabeth Richardson. She was a daughter of John Richardson and was born May 7, 1814, and died October 3, 1883.

According to tradition, John T. Rowand was a minister of the gospel. At the time Alexander Campbell started a campaign to revive so-called old-fashioned religion, John was converted to this belief. He was inspired with Campbells teachings to such an extent that he turned his talents toward preaching and was one of the pioneers of the religious sect known as Disciples of Christ.

According to "Biographical Cyclopedia of Monongalia, Taylor and Marion Counties", John T. Rowand was a cabinet maker by trade.

Joseph H., son of John T. Rowand, was one of the pioneer settlers of Drake's run. This small stream is a tributary of Pyles Fork creek, in Marion county, W. Va. His farm (now owned by C. C. Wilson) is situate at the head of the right-hand branch of Drake's run.

Following are the children of Joseph H. and Elizabeth (nee Richardson) Rowand:

John Wesley, born July 10, 1837, died Jan. 7, 1916;

Mary Jane, born June 30, 1840;

James B., Benjamin Franklin, Henry, Sarah A.; C. J. Rowand, born October 20, 1833; William S., born January 20, 1838; and L. J. Rowand. John Wesley Rowand was married in 1861 to Martha E. Campbell. She was born January 10, 1841. Mary Jane Rowand married Jesse Robins and is living in Michigan. Benjamin Franklin was married in 1873 to Emily J. Rector and is living near Shinnston, W. Va. Sarah A. married Lewis Linville.

On Sunday, April 4, 1909, which was the ninety-fifth birthday of Joseph Rowand, his relatives met at the home of his son, John W. Rowand, near Metz, W. Va., to celebrate this event. Rev. William Roby was present at this gathering and spoke about the long life of this aged man spent in this community. A shower of ninety-five postcards was made upon the lap of the old man. The following friends and relatives were present: Mrs. Jesse Robins, of Michigan; Mrs. Sarah Linville, of Shinnston, W. Va.; John W. and B. F. Rowand—these being sons and daughters of Joseph; Mrs. Martha Rowand; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Rowand and children—Edgar and Mae; Mr. and Mrs. William Wilson and children—Marguerite and Elizabeth; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hibbs; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Metz; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wilson and son, Lonnel; Mrs. Nancy Brown, Miss Ora Brown, Mrs. Anna Thompson, Miss Nellie Hibbs, E. C. Rowand, of Fairmont, W. Va., and Rev. Wm. Robey.

Five generations of this family were present at this gathering, as follows; Joseph H. Rowand (1), John W. Rowand (2), Albert M. Rowand (3), Ellen (nee Rowand), Hawkens, Wilson (4), Marguerite Hawkins (5), and Elizabeth Wilson (5).

Joseph H. Rowand was born in Harrison county, W. Va. He moved to Marion county in the early fifties where he married Elizabeth Richardson. After the death of his wife in 1883, Joseph returned to Harrison county where he lived for a few years among his children and then returned to the farm on Drake's run.

John Wesley, son of Joseph Rowand, was born in Harrison county, W. Va. The greater part of his life was spent in Marion county where he followed the pursuits of farming and carpentry.

Following are the children of John W. and Martha E. (nee Campbell) Rowand:

Albert Mayfield, born March 31, 1862;

Edgar Clement, born Dec. 16, 1863; and

Sarah Elizabeth, born Oct. 29, 1867, died in infancy.

Albert Mayfield was married on September 4, 1884, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob M. Mittong. Edgar Clement was married first, to Lulu Hanen on July 25, 1888, and secondly, to Ruth M. Anderson. Lulu Hanen was born February 22, 1871. Ruth Anderson was born August 10, 1889. Issue of E. C. and Lulu (nee Hanen) Rowand, two children—Harry L., born August 15, 1889, and died August 4, 1894; and Orveton, born June 21, 1891, and died July 25, 1891.

Issue of E. C. and Ruth (nee Anderson) Rowand, two sons—Edgar C., jr., born July 25, 1915; and David Anderson, born June 12, 1919. This family are living at present—1926, in Fairmont, West Virginia.

John W. and Martha Rowand celebrated their golden wedding at their home, near Metz, W. Va., on March 28, 1911. Several friends and relatives were present at this gathering and they bestowed many appropriate presents upon Uncle John and Aunt Martha. After the death of her husband, Martha went to live with her son, Albert. John and Martha were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. John's father also was a member of this church. John, and also his parents, are buried in the Beegum cemetery.

Robert Campbell, sr., was born about 1755. He had a son, Robert, jr., born September 15, 1783, and died December 19, 1857. Robert, jr., was married first, to Mary Mike, in 1804; secondly, to Polly Rex; and lastly, to Sarah Level, in 1844. Mary Mike was born in 1783, and died July 5, 1826. Polly Rex was born in 1782, and died Sept. 2, 1844. Sarah (nee Level) Campbell died September 20, 1887.

None of the living members of this family are able to tell from what country their immigrant ancestor came. Since many Campbells with Christian names similar to names of the above family immigrated to Virginia during the early colonization of that state, from England, and since many with similar names migrated from Virginia to West Virginia, it is reasonable to infer that the ancestors of Martha Campbell were English.

According to "Hardesty's Atlas of Marion and Harrison Counties," Thomas and Robert Campbell were among the first settlers in Mannington district. This Robert's name is found on the pay roll of Capt. Wm. Haymond's company, of Monongalia county, as a private in the Revolutionary war.

In the "Virginia Magazines" is found among the Campbell immigrants to Virginia, the name of John. He was married in 1721 to Elizabeth Walker who was a daughter of John Walker.

John Campbell came to the United States from Ireland. He brought several children with him. Among these children we find: Robert who married Rebecca Wallace; Patrick, David, and others.

Following are the children of Robert and Mary (nee Mike) Campbell:

Isaac Umbel, born December 31, 1813, died September 20, 1902; and Nimrod M., born May 28, 1816, died March 28, 1900. Isaac Umbell Campbell married Sarah Metz. She was a daughter of Jacob and Catherine Metz. Sarah Metz was born March 17, 1815, and died October 6, 1881. Isaac and Sarah were married April 13, 1837. Nimrod Campbell married Zillah Metz who was a sister of Sarah.

Following are the children of Nimrod M. and Zillah (nee Metz) Campbell:

Ulysses, born May 20, 1842;

Anna Elizabeth, born March 21, 1844;
Emily Jane, born Dec. 7, 1846;
Robert Milton, born June 16, 1848;
Sarah Catherine, born June 5, 1850;
Jacob Ramer, born Jan. 20, 1852;
Felix M., born Jan. 14, 1855;
Joseph M., Dec. 15, 1857; and
Arletta Tennessee, born July 15, 1859.

Jacob Metz was of German ancestry. He was one of the early settlers in Mannington district. The following account of Jacob Metz was related to the author by Martha (nee Campbell) Rowand who is a granddaughter of Jacob:

“My grandfather, Jacob Metz, was the first settler on the site of the present village of Metz, W. Va., which was then a wilderness. This village was named in honor of him. He purchased a farm of four hundred acres of land. He had four large sugar camps on this farm. Each spring he would take his maple sugar to Morgantown—this being his nearest market. He used the money obtained from selling his sugar to pay for his farm and also to buy necessities which could not be produced on the farm. He would kill deer for summer meat and wild hogs for winter meat. He gave names to three small streams in this vicinity, as follows: Johney Cake, Pyle’s Fork, and State’s Fork. At that time, wolves were numerous and destructive in this vicinity. Jacob was an expert marksman and he killed many wild animals. Jacob Metz was a very large man—being over six feet in stature and weighing more than four hundred pounds.” This narrative agrees in effect with histories of Marion county.

Following are the children of Jacob and Catherine Metz:

Sarah, born March 17, 1815, died Oct. 6, 1881;

Zillah, born Feb. 23, 1821;

Catherine, Mary, Elizabeth, Ada, Marguerite, Anna, one girl who died in infancy, Leonard, Henry, and Lamech. Zillah married Nimrod Campbell. Catherine married Samuel Byard. Mary married John Talkington. Elizabeth married Alexander Beatty. Ada married Robert Hill. Marguerite married Conrad Yost. Anna married David Yost. Leonard married Sally Fletcher. Henry married Anna Kendall. Lamech married Rachel Byard.

Jacob and Catherine Metz are buried in a graveyard overlooking the village of Metz.

Many of the descendants of these families live in the vicinity of Metz, while many have migrated to distant parts. It is said that the combined weight of the two twins—Sarah and Mary Metz—and their sister, Catherine, was 1065 pounds.

This family has quite a reputation, because of its propensity for twins. There have been fifteen pairs of twins and one set of triplets since the time of Jacob.

CHAPTER XI

FAMILY OF ALBERT MAYWOOD ROWAND AND CONNECTIONS

Following are the children of Albert Maywood and Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand:

Mary Ellen, born June 12, 1885;
Grover Edgar, born April 9, 1888; and
Lulu D. Mae, born Sept. 30, 1897.

Mary Ellen was married first, to Clarence Early Hawkins, and secondly, to William Wilson on August 4, 1907. Clarence Hawkins was born May 10, 1883, and died July 23, 1906. William Wilson was born June 10, 1873. To the first union was born one daughter, Marguerite Leona, on April 23, 1905. To the second union were born three girls, as follows:

Elizabeth Alice Mae, July 2, 1908;
Josephine Cora, June 12, 1911; and
Juanita Naomi, May 29, 1917.

Marguerite Leona Hawkins was married on June 9, 1925 to Lew Evans. Josephine Cora was married on June 12, 1926 to Joseph Franklin Booth.

The father of Clarence Hawkins, Hezekiah, was born July 2, 1841. He married Mary Jane (?) who was born August 1, 1843, and died June 8, 1922.

William and Ellen are living on State's fork, near the farm on which Ellen was born. William is employed in the oil field.

Grover Edgar Rowand was married on February 26, 1915, to Roma Gladys Moore who was born February 12, 1896.

The ancestral line of Gladys (nee Moore) Rowand is as follows:

Robert Campbell, sr., had a son Robert, jr. Robert, jr., and his wife, Mary, had a son, Isaac Umbel. Isaac Umbel had a son, Joseph S., who was born August 2, 1847. Joseph S. was married on March 13, 1862, to Manerva Jane Baker who was born Oct. 10, 1837, and died December 11, 1919. Joseph S. and Manerva Campbell had a daughter, Rosetta, born October 6, 1864. Rosetta was married on October 4, 1883, to Simon Moore who was born January 6, 1858. Simon and Rosetta Moore are living, at present—1926, on Campbell's run. We are indebted to Mrs. Moore for information given by her in regard to this family.

Nicholas Baker was born in Wilmington, Delaware, about 1750. He married Hannah Montgomery, of Wilmington. They had a son, William, who was born in 1778. William was mar-

ried in 1799 to Elizabeth, daughter of William and Susanna (nee Jones) Bean. Elizabeth was born July 4, 1782, and died in 1870. William and Elizabeth Baker had a son, Nathan, born February 24, 1809, and died April 9, 1891. Nathan was married in 1833 to Lyda Hews who was born August 5, 1808, and died June 16, 1898. Nathan and Lyda Baker had a daughter, Manerva Jane. Manerva Jane married Joseph Campbell.

Edwin Hewes, grandfather of Lyda (nee Hewes) Baker, was born about 1750. He married Orpha Stubs. Edwin and Orpha Hewes had a son, Vinson, who was born in 1773 and died in 1850. Vinson married Mary R. Shipley who was born in 1775, and died October 7, 1870. Vinson and Mary Hewes had a daughter, Lyda, who married Nathan Baker.

William Shipley was born about 1745 in Wilmington, Delaware. He married Sarah Rumford who was born in Wilmington. They had a daughter, Mary R., who married Vinson Hewes.

Nicholas Baker is buried on "Davis' Ridge," near Farmington, W. Va. His wife Hannah (nee Montgomery) Baker, is buried in the Watson graveyard, near the mouth of Mohan's run, east of Mannington, W. Va.

According to family tradition, Nicholas Baker was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and also, William Shipley and his three sons.

The following account of William Shipley is in the public archives in Dover, Delaware, where he took the oath of allegiance on August 19, 1778. We could not find any Revolutionary war record of William Shipley, sr., but the record of William Shipley, jr., shows him to have been in the North division, from the borough of Wilmington. The record of the North division is found in the library of congress, vol. 1, page 85.

A record of William Bean was found in the state archives in Dover, Del., and it shows that he was in Benjamin Noxon's company in 1758 but no Revolutionary war record could be found of him.

Michael Moore was born about 1770. He married Mary Neer and had a son, John, who was born in 1807 and died February 28, 1895. John was married on February 7, 1828, to Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Margaret (nee Tennant) Varner. Rebecca died in 1900. John and Rebecca Moore had a son, Martin VanBuren, who was born December 18, 1835, and died in March, 1864.

Martin VanBuren Moore was married on December 31, 1857, to Anna, daughter of John and Nancy (nee Brewer) McCoy. Anna was born November 11, 1841. Martin VanBuren and Anna Moore had a son, Simon. Simon Moore was born January 6, 1858. He married Rosetta Campbell.

The following is found in the "Biographical Cyclopedia of Monongalia, Marion and Taylor Counties:"

Michael Moore was an early settler in Clay district, Monongalia county. His son, John, was born in 1807 and lived in this district all of his life and was a farmer. John married Rebecca, daughter of Joseph Varner, and they had the following children: William, Prudence, Lindsey Clark, Sarah, Martin VanBuren, Daniel, Amanda, John I., and Abraham. William was a soldier in the Civil war and was killed in the battle of Winchester. Sarah married Gilbert T. Moore. Martin VanBuren was in the Union army in the Civil war. He was captured and kept in Libby Prison until he starved to death. John I. died in 1894.

John Moore of the above family, had four sons in the Civil war—William, Lindsey Clark, Daniel, and Martin VanBuren.

Martin VanBuren Moore enlisted in December, 1862. He was captured January 4, 1864, at Newbury, while he was with company K., 14th regiment, under Capt. Holt. He was taken to Andersonville prison where he died. He is buried somewhere in Georgia.

Daniel Moore enlisted in the spring of 1862. He was honorably discharged in 1865. He died in 1922.

Michael Moore, grandfather of the above soldiers, was a farmer and lived in Virginia. He had four children—Solomon, John, Rhoda, and Catherine.

John Varner, the first by that name with whom the Moores are connected, was a native of Germany. He immigrated to America and settled in Clay district, Monongalia county, West Virginia, where his son, Joseph, was born. Joseph Varner married Margaret Tennant and to this union twelve children were born—one of whom, Rebecca, married John Moore.

Gephinaer McCoy was born about 1782. He married Eleanor Tennant who was born February 1, 1765, and died December 28, 1866. Eleanor was born in England. They had a son, John, who was born in 1812, and died in October, 1857. John McCoy married Nancy, daughter of Christopher and Anna Bruer. Nancy Bruer was born October 3, 1814, and died June 22, 1895. John and Nancy (nee Bruer) McCoy had a daughter, Anna, who married Martin VanBuren Moore. Some think that the maiden name of Mrs. Christopher Bruer was Wilson.

In the war of 1812 we find the names of Joseph and Daniel Varner in Capt. Jesse Ice's company.

The Tennant-family immigrant to this country came from Glasgow, Scotland.

Richard Tennant, the first of this family of whom we have any record, was killed in the battle of Quebec while serving as a British soldier. He was killed on September 13, 1759. This battle was fought between Montcalm, of the French army, and Gen. Wolf, of the British.

Richard Tennant, jr., was born in Glasgow. He immigrated to this country in 1760. He sold his time and services for seven years in order to pay for his passage over. He served as a drummer in Capt. Parson's company during Dunmore's war of 1774 against the Indians. When returning to his home in Virginia at the end of the war, he passed through Clay district, West Virginia, where he decided to locate. After serving five months during the first of the Revolutionary war, he settled on Jake's run, in Clay district, in 1775.

According to family tradition, Richard Tennant, jr., married Elizabeth Haught about 1769. She was a daughter of Peter Haught and of German ancestry. They had the following children: William who married Catherine Brown; Adam who married Catherine Haught; Richard (the third of this name) was born in 1777, married Sallie Chew, and died June 27, 1824; Alexander who married a Brown; Peter who also married a Brown; Joseph who also married a Brown; John who married Rhoda Moore; Abraham who married Fanny (?); Jacob who married Elizabeth Lancaster; Elizabeth who married Richard Connor; Margaret who married Joseph, son of John Varner; Catherine who married Nicholas Chane; and Mary who never married.

Richard Tennant, jr., re-enlisted in the Revolutionary war in 1778. He enlisted in Monongalia county as a drummer in McIntosh's army. The above information is taken from Wiley's history of Monongalia county.

Peter Haught, a brother-in-law of Richard Tennant, jr., came along with Richard and settled on Jake's run at the same time.

Seven of Richard Tennant's sons were in the army during the war of 1812 and two others—John and Adam—sent substitutes. Abraham and Joseph Tennant were in James Hurry's company. William was in Samuel Kennedy's company. Jacob and Sgt. Peter Tennant were in Capt. Jesse Ice's company.

Many of the descendants of Richard Tennant, jr., fought in the Civil war—some in the Union army and some in the Confederate army.

The Tennant annual reunion is held in the vicinity of Prentess, West Virginia, where many members of this family are located.

Much information pertaining to this family has been furnished by L. B. Tennant, of Farmington, W. Va., who is a lineal descendant of Richard, the immigrant. L. B. Tennant is also connected with the Wilson family through Milton Wilson.

Edgar and Gladys (nee Moore) Rowand are living in Metz, W. Va. Edgar is an oil well driller. They are both members of the M. E. church, South, of Metz. They are parents of two children—Roma Imogene, born August 27, 1919, and Robert Edgar, born December 13, 1921.

Lulu D. Mae Rowand married Herbert Thomas who was born December 12, 1895. They are parents of the following children:

Agnes Orvetta, born April 5, 1918;
Margaret Eleanor, born Sept. 11, 1921; and
Elizabeth Mae, born August 21, 1925.

This family is living, at present—1926, in Claysville, Pa.

John Thomas, father of Herbert, was born December 3, 1855. He was married in September, 1877, to Elizabeth Moore who was born August 9, 1860. The parents of Elizabeth Moore were Martin VanBuren and Anna (nee McCoy) Moore. This is the same line of Moores as given in the genealogy of the ancestors of Gladys (nee Moore) Rowand.

The following is taken from "Biographical Cyclopedia of Monongalia, Marion, and Taylor Counties"—this being the same family of Thomases as Herbert's ancestors:

Rememberance Thomas, son of William and Amelia (nee Swan) Thomas, was born in Monongalia county on March 3, 1828. He was a descendant of William Thomas who settled on Miracle run, a short distance from its mouth. This region was at that time a favorite hunting and fishing ground of the Indians. Today, it consists of many fertile and productive farms.

Rememberance settled there sometime prior to 1789. He married Elizabeth Hanmeter. He was shot by Indians while working in the field and died from the effect of the wound on April 21, 1789. They had one son—William, born December 17, 1788. After the death of her husband, Elizabeth escaped with her four-months-old child.

William Thomas married Amelia Swan and they were parents of eleven children, as follows: Sarah, William, Jesse, Thomas, Artymacy, Amelia, Ellis, Saul, Nimry, Cyrus, and Rememberance.

George R. Thomas, son of Israel and Orpha (nee Brookover) Thomas, was born near the confluence of the two branches of Flat run on August 18, 1847. This branch of the Thomas family traces its ancestry to Wales.

George R. Thomas' grandfather, Joseph, was a native of southeastern Pennsylvania. Joseph migrated to and was one of the first settlers on Flat run where he took up a tract of four hundred acres of land. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. He was a member of the Baptist church. He married Nancy Riggs—a girl from Pennsylvania—and they were parents of the following children: George, Joseph, John, Isaac, Israel, Nancy, Massa, Cynthia, and Mary.

CHAPTER XII

FAMILY TREE OF JOHN AND SARAH (NEE MOCK)
MITTONG

b.—born.
Abbreviations.....m.—married.
d.—died.

1—John Mittank, b. about 1795, d. about 1834, m. about 1817.

Sarah Mock, b. May 1, 1799, d. April 1, 1892.

Children:

2—Henry, b. Feb. 1, 1818, d. Oct. 22, 1881.

3—Jacob M., b. Sept. 1, 1821, d. Oct. 27, 1897.

4—Samuel, b. about 1823, d. about 1846.

Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Martha Elizabeth Williams, b. May 3, 1821, d. Mar. 1, 1899, m. Oct. 28, 1841, Henry Mittong. Issue:

5—John William, b. Aug. 1, 1843, d. Nov. 13, 1923.

6—Jacob, b. Oct. 30, 1845, d. about 1912.

7—Mary Catherine, b. Jan. 10, 1848, d.

8—William Henry, b. Dec. 25, 1849, d. Aug. 1, 1921.

9—George Wesley Giesey, b. May 1, 1853, d.

10—Joseph Franklin Pierce, b. July 8, 1856, d. July 11, 1865.

11—Ella Zuma, b. Aug. 11, 1858, d.

12—Sarah E., b. Dec. 25, 1861, d. March 1, 1879.

13—Emily L., b. March 1, 1865, d. Feb. 8, 1888.

Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Jacob M., married first, Oct. 19, 1844, Louisa Clark, b. Jan. 17, 1829, d. Mar. 30, 1861. m. second, Apr. 20, 1862, Mary Glover, b. Apr. 12, 1825, d. June 1, 1883, m. third.....Mrs. Amelia Ann Morgan, b., d.

Children:

14—Mary Louise, b. Nov. 23, 1845, d. Sept. 18, 1920.

15—Sarah Ann, b. Oct. 31, 1849, d. July 11, 1850.

16—Emily Jane, b. Oct. 7, 1851, d. March 18, 1854.

17—Charles Wesley, b. Oct. 27, 1852, d. Sept. 23, 1856.

18—Mandilla, b. Sept. 23, 1854, d. Aug. 6, 1924.

19—Ellen Frances, b. Feb. 5, 1857, d. Oct. 29, 1860.

20—Henry Harrison, b. March 7, 1861, d.

21—Elizabeth, (issue second wife) b. July 12, 1863, d.

John William (5); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). John William m. Nov. 15, 1865, Mary Jane Huzzard, b. July 18, 1843, d. Nov. 24, 1917.

Children:

22—Ada May, b. Dec. 4, 1866, d. June 24, 1887, m. Nov. 12, 1885, Ed. V. Smith, b., d.

23—Minnie Maud, b. March 27, 1868, d.

24—Mary, b. June 1, 1870, d. June 3, 1870.

25—Benjamin Franklin, b. May 15, 1871, d.

- 26—Sadie Huzzard, b. June 16, 1863, d....., m. Oct. 6, 1898,
 Frank H. Smith, b., d.
 27—John Earl, b. June 4, 1875, d.
 28—Lewis, b. Jan. 29, 1877, d. Feb. 19, 1877.

Mary Catherine Mittong (7); Henry Mittong (2); John Mit-
 tank (1). Commodore Benton Reece, b. May 8, 1838, d.
 June 4, 1915, m. Mary Catherine Mittong.

Children:

- 29—Charles Benton, b. Jan. 11, 1875, d.
 30—Harry Elmer, b. Jan. 7, 1876, d., m. Mary
 Elizabeth (?), b. Oct. 7, 1874, d.
 31—Ida Mary, b. Jan. 5, 1879, d.
 32—Walter Logan, b. Aug. 22, 1884, d.
 33—Robert Lincoln, b. Feb. 11, 1890, d.

George Wesley Giesey Mittong (9); Henry Mittong (2);
 John Mittank (1). Laura Rebecca Kelley, b. Nov. 8, 1856,
 d., m., Geo. W. G. Mittong.

Children:

- 34—Harry Osmy, b. Dec. 30, 1873, d.
 35—Nettie May, b. May 31, 1877, d. Jan. 17, 1879.
 36—Edgar VanBurin, b. July 21, 1879, d.
 37—Lutie Ada, b. May 1, 1881, d. Dec. 3, 1886.
 38—Ethel Noble, b. Jan. 15, 1884, d. Jan. 4, 1914.
 39—Louis Kelley, b. June 1, 1893, d., m.
 Mayre Helen Bromich, b. Feb. 20, 1894, d.
 40—Lew Holsey, b. May 6, 1896, d. Oct. 30, 1897.

Ella Zuma Mittong (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank
 (1). Benjamin Franklin Garrison, b. June 19, 1855, d.
, m. 1879, Ella Zuma Mittong.

Children:

- 41—Henry M., b. Feb. 23, 1880, d. Feb. 23, 1880.
 42—Nora May Belle, b. Jan. 30, 1882, d.
 43—Clarence, b. Mar. 14, 1884, d.
 44—Minnie Maud, b. Feb. 22, 1886, d.
 45—Elmer Lawrence, b. Oct. 17, 1887, d.
 46—Della Jane, b. Oct. 8, 1889, d.
 47—George, b. Sept. 17, 1892, d.
 48—John Prennall, b. Feb. 29, 1896, d.
 49—Ole Pearl, b. Mar. 9, 1898, d.
 50—Bennie Harley, b. Oct. 10, 1900, d.

Mary Louise Mittong (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mit-
 tank (1). John Bartrug, b. Dec. 25, 1844, d., m.
 Oct. 19, 1864, Mary Louise Mittong.

Children:

- 51—Francis Olviah, b. Sept. 30, 1865, d.
 52—William Henry, b. May 1, 1867, d.
 53—Jacob Edward, b. Feb. 21, 1869, d.
 54—Joseph Tyler, b. May 18, 1871, d.
 55—Benjamin Franklin, b. Mar. 12, 1873, d. Feb. 5, 1911.
 56—Rosa Annadell, b. Jan. 12, 1875, d.
 57—Jefferson Luke, b. May 3, 1877, d. Sept. 26, 1903.
 58—John Napoleon, b. Mar. 5, 1879, d. Apr. 8, 1918.
 59—Columbus Arthur, b. Apr. 27, 1881, d.
 60—Clara Leon, b. Apr. 19, 1885, d.
 61—Abraham Earl, b. June 14, 1888, d. June 28, 1910.

Mandilla Mittong (18); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Christopher Columbus Wilson, b. Oct. 24, 1853, d., m. May 18, 1879, Mandilla Mittong.

Children:

- 62—James Elmer, b. Mar. 8, 1880, d.
- 63—Mary Jennet, b. Sept. 18, 1881, d.
- 64—Benjamin Franklin, b. Nov. 18, 1883, d.
- 65—Henry Lee, b. Feb. 12, 1886, d.
- 66—Luther Jackson, b. Feb. 14, 1888, d., m., Bertha Lee Pixler, b. Oct. 7, 1891, d.
- 67—Lawrence Early, b. Aug. 31, 1890, d.
- 68—Charles Lonnel, b. July 23, 1893, d.

- 69—Nora Louise Mittong, b. Jan. 26, 1873, d., m. July 19, 1915, James Perry Nuzum, b. Feb. 5, 1876, d.
- 70—Lessie Ethel Mittong, b. Jan. 4, 1894, d. Oct. 6, 1904.

Henry Harrison Mittong (20); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Elizabeth Alice Brooke, b. Aug. 2, 1864, d., m. Sept. 28, 1882, Henry Harrison Mittong.

Children:

- 71—Launcy Okley, b. Aug. 20, 1883, d. June 10, 1884.
- 72—Curtis Otto, b. Aug. 17, 1885, d.
- 73—Essie Jane, b. Oct. 4, 1887, d.
- 74—Hazel Brooke, b. July 7, 1895, d.
- 75—Hallie Helen, b. Oct. 1, 1901, d.

Elizabeth Mittong (21); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Albert Maywood Rowand, b. Mar. 31, 1862, d., m. Sept. 4, 1884, Elizabeth Mittong.

Children:

- 76—Mary Ellen, b. June 12, 1885, d.
- 77—Grover Edgar, b. Apr. 9, 1888, d.
- 78—Lulu D. Mae, b. Sept. 30, 1897, d.

Minnie Maud Mittong (23); John William Mittong (5); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Joseph Scott Johnson, b. May 12, 1854, d., m. Oct. 3, 1889, Minnie Maud Mittong.

Children:

- 79—Joseph Lillard, b. Sept. 22, 1896, d.
- 80—Francis Lorain, b. Aug. 28, 1903, d.

Benjamin Franklin Mittong (25); John William Mittong (5); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Benjamin Franklin Mittong, m., Kate (?), b., d.

Child:

- 81—Lois, b. Nov. 21, 1897, d.

John Earl Mittong (27); John William Mittong (5); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Georgia Logan, b. Mar. 8, 1876, d., m. Apr. 28, 1901, John Earl Mittong.

Children:

- 82—Mildred, b. Dec. 26, 1902, d. Dec. 26, 1902.
- 83—J. Logan, b. Mar. 25, 1904, d.
- 84—Eugene Herbert, b. Dec. 26, 1905, d.
- 85—Robert Lawrence, b. May 11, 1909, d.
- 86—Joseph Foltz, b. Apr. 25, 1911, d.
- 87—George Howard, b. Apr. 7, 1913, d.

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Charles Benton Reece (29); Mary Catherine (nee Mittong) Reece (7); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Leta Schnell, b. March 23, 1878, d., m. Charles Benton Reece.

Children:

- 88—John Benton, b. Mar. 17, 1904, d.
 89—William Schnell, b. Jan. 29, 1906, d.
 90—Charles Arthur, b. Mar. 22, 1908, d.

Ida Mary Reece (31); Mary Catherine (nee Mittong) Reece (7); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Ello Vansandt Gross, b. Oct. 5, 1877, d., m., Ida Mary Reece.

Children:

- 91—Aaron Reece, b. May 24, 1904, d.
 92—Herbert Benton, b. Sept. 4, 1908, d.

Walter Logan Reece (32); Mary Catherine (nee Mittong) Reece (7); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Dorothy Leah Oster, b., d., m. Walter L. Reece.

Child:

- 93—James McDonnald, b. Aug. 12, 1923, d.

Robert Lincoln Reece (33); Mary Catherine (nee Mittong) Reece (7); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Rose Edwards, b. July 16, 1889, d., m., Robert L. Reece.

Children:

- 94—Rose Mary, b. Aug. 14, 1923, d.
 95—Ruth Edwards, b. Dec. 23, 1924, d.

Harry Osmy Mittong (34); George Wesley Giesey Mittong (9); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Leta Arnold, b. Jan. 16, 1876, d., m., Harry Osmy Mittong.

Children:

- 96—Oland, b. Jan. 4, 1899, d.
 97—George, b. Jan. 22, 1901, d.
 98—Mary, b. Dec. 7, 1915, d.

Edgar Van Burin Mittong (36); George W. G. Mittong (9); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Edgar V. Mittong m., first, Marion Gertrude Brisco, b. Feb. 21, 1881, d. Apr. 26, 1896, m., second, Blanch E. Lonegon, b. Aug. 4, 1884, d.

Issue second wife:

- 99—William Kirk, b. March 19, 1906, d. Aug. 14, 1906.

Ethel Noble Mittong (38); George W. G. Mittong (9); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Julius Roth, b., d., m., Ethel Noble Mittong.

Child:

- 100—Margaret Ada, b. Dec. 21, 1910, d. Aug. 2, 1916.

Nora May Bell Garrison (42); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Nora May, m. Mar. 23, 1900, Harley Gillispie, b. Feb. 13, 1879, d. Mar. 11, 1911. Married second, Jackson McCarty, b. May 1, 1874, d.

Children:

- 101—Oma Gillispie, b. Mar. 13, 1903, d.

- 102—Louis Gillispie, b. Jan. 20, 1906, d.
 103—Arthur Gillispie, b. Aug. 29, 1910, d.
 104—Mary McCarty, b. Jan. 5, 1914, d.
 105—Myrtle McCarty, b. Feb. 28, 1918, d.
 106—Dessie McCarty, b. July 20, 1920, d.

Clarence Garrison (43); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Ada Wagner, b. June 3, 1896, d., m. Apr. 20, 1912, Clarence Garrison.

Child:

- 107—Aline, b. Nov. 3, 1912, d.

Minnie Maud Garrison (44); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). John Denton, b. Mar. 4, 1885, d., m. Dec. 19, 1906, Minnie Maud Garrison.

Children:

- 108—Charley, b. July 20, 1907, d.
 109—Mabel, b. Mar. 29, 1909, d.
 110—Louis, b. Feb. 18, 1912, d. June 5, 1917.
 111—Walter, b. July 17, 1913, d.
 112—Paul, b. May 13, 1917, d.
 113—Ruth, b. July 23, 1920, d.
 114—Marjorie, b. Sept. 24, 1922, d.

Elmer Lawrence Garrison (45); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Gertrude Ward, b. Sept. 11, 1890, d., m. Aug. 26, 1912, Elmer Lawrence Garrison.

Children:

- 115—Elmer Ward, b. Sept. 9, 1914, d.
 116—Robert Dale, b. Aug. 25, 1917, d.

Della Jane Garrison (46); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). George W. Denton, b. Oct. 26, 1886, d., m. Jan. 23, 1909, Della Jane Garrison.

Children:

- 117—Aola Delight, b. July 23, 1911, d.
 118—Audrey Laweta, b. June 27, 1915, d.
 119—Dolores Imogene, b., d.

George Garrison (47); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Ellen Johnson, b. June 11, 1892, d., m. Jan. 16, 1915, George Garrison.

Children:

- 120—Ronald Leon, b. May 23, 1916, d.
 121—Geneva Louise, b. Mar. 30, 1918, d.
 122—Wilma Marie, b. July 15, 1919, d.

Bennie Harley Garrison (50); Ella Zuma (nee Mittong) Garrison (11); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Bertha Bricker, b. Jan. 13, 1905, d., m. June 18, 1922, Bennie Harley Garrison.

Child:

- 123—Lilly Marie, b. July 14, 1924, d.

Frances Olivah Bartrug (51); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Frances Olivah, m., first, James Wesley James.

b., d. Sept. 1890, m. Second, Nov. 30, 1893, Harry
Lincoln Gilger, b. Mar. 3, 1863, d.

Issue with first husband:

- 124—Charles Garland, b. Nov. 7, 1887, d.
125—Clarence Dell, b. Apr. 11, 1889, d.
126—Beulah Girdie, b. Mar. 4, 1891, d., m. July 28, 1919,
William David Baker, b. Oct. 27, 1893, d.

William Henry Bartrug (52); Mary Louise (nee Mittong)
Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1).
Dora Ellen (nee Wyatt) Hiat, b. Dec. 18, 1863, d.,
m. Oct. 2, 1893, William Henry Bartrug.

Children:

- 127—Cecil C., b. July 4, 1894, d.
128—Thayne Wyatt, b. Jan 14, 1897, d., m. Sept. 3, 1918,
Pauline Thurston Heiskell, b. Feb. 8, 1895, d.

Jacob Edward Bartrug (53); Mary Louise (nee Mittong)
Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1).
Carrie Solsbee, b. May 21, 1872, d., m. July 3,
1888, Jacob Edward Bartrug.

Children:

- 129—Alfred, b. Feb. 10, 1892, d., m. Dec. 8, 1920, Amanda
Claussen, b., d.
130—Keota Ruth, b. Apr. 7, 1894, d.
131—Hallie, b. Aug. 29, 1896, d., m. March 12, 1920, Lois
Evans, b., d.
132—Harriet Louise, b. Feb. 11, 1902, d.

Joseph Tyler Bartrug (54); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bar-
trug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Car-
rie Adaline Glover, b. Sept. 15, 1882, d., m. Sept.
26, 1900, Joseph Tyler Bartrug.

Children:

- 133—Gertrude Nevil, b. July 6, 1901, d.
134—Naomi Genevieve, b. Oct 10, 1907, d.

Benjamin Franklin Bartrug (55); Mary Louise (nee Mittong)
Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1).
Lina Blane, b. Aug. 5, 1874, d., m. June 8, 1898,
Benjamin Franklin Bartrug.

Children:

- 135—Mildred Irene, b. May 9, 1899, d.
136—Maud Mae, b. July 13, 1900, d.
137—Amanda Louise, b. Feb. 17, 1902, d.
138—Franklin Oliver, b. Sept. 18, 1903, d.
139—Harold Floyd, b. Aug. 28, 1905, d.
140—Wilma Grace, b. Apr. 13, 1907, d. March 25, 1908.
141—Marshall Edwin, b. Dec. 6, 1908, d.
142—Geneva, b. May 6, 1910, d.
143—Verna Virginia, b. June 9, 1911, d.

Rosa Annadell Bartrug (56); Mary Louise (nee Mittong)
Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1).
Jacob Lantz, b. May 24, 1865, d., m. Mar. 5, 1894,
Rosa Annadell Bartrug.

Children:

- 144—Edith Violet, b. March 29, 1896, d.
145—Georgia Maud, b. Dec. 30, 1897, d., m. Feb. 3, 1916,
Ralph Poe, b. Apr. 27, 1890, d.
146—Foy, b. Jan. 31, 1899, d.

- 147—Ray, b. Mar. 27, 1901, d.
- 148—Opal Lillian, b. Oct. 18, 1903, d.
- 149—Guy, b. Dec. 9, 1908, d.
- 150—Jac. Albert Earl, b. Oct. 2, 1912, d.
- 151—Pearl Louise, b. Apr. 20, 1916, d.
- 152—Dean Vee, b. Apr. 5, 1919, d.

John Napoleon Bartrug (58); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1).
Ola Peal Byard, b. Aug. 6, 1882, d., m. Feb. 9, 1904, John Napoleon Bartrug.

Children:

- 153—Kenneth Francis, b. Dec. 6, 1904, d.
- 154—Mildred Louise, b. Aug. 17, 1906, d., m. Jan 1, 1926.
C. W. Simpson.
- 155—John Wesley, b. July 18, 1911, d.
- 156—Marion Ivan, b. Aug. 16, 1915, d.
- 157—Doris Mae, b. Sept. 21, 1918, d.

Columbus Arthur Bartrug (59); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1).
Anna Myrtle Byard, b. Oct. 10, 1882, d., m., Columbus Arthur Bartrug.

Children:

- 158—Lonso Elmo, b. Apr. 29, 1906, d.
- 159—Murrel Warder, b. Sept. 8, 1908, d.
- 160—Connie Wayne, b. Sept. 19, 1911, d.

Clara Leon Bartrug (60); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). John Lewis Ashcraft, b. Mar. 17, 1894, d., m. Sept. 1, 1913, Clara Leon Bartrug.

Children:

- 161—Robert Earl, b. Aug. 12, 1914, d.
- 162—Charles Lewis, b. Jan. 14, 1916, d.
- 163—Mary Rose, b. Sept. 24, 1918, d.
- 164—Simon Jackson, b. Aug. 30, 1920, d.

James Elmer Wilson (62); Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson (17); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Doris Helen Edwards, b. Dec. 19, 1893, d., m. Dec. 19, 1911, James Elmer Wilson.

Children:

- 165—William Jackson, b. Aug. 2, 1913, d.
- 166—James Earl, b. Aug. 31, 1920, d.

Benjamin Franklin Wilson (64); Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson (17); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Zella Elizabeth Hall, b. Sept. 22, 1888, d., m. Jan. 27, 1909, Benjamin Franklin Wilson.

Child:

- 167—Robert Franklin, b. Dec. 10, 1911, d.

Henry Lee Wilson (65); Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson (17); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Elah Myrtle Shanks, b. Feb. 26, 1892, d., m. June 5, 1912, Henry Lee Wilson.

Children:

- 168—James Edward, b. Aug. 22, 1912, d.
- 169—William Christopher, b. June 24, 1914, d.
- 170—Henry Richard, b. Dec. 17, 1915, d.
- 171—Charles Frederick, b. Dec. 17, 1915, d.

- 172—Fleda Jean, b. Aug. 28, 1917, d.
 173—Donnald Shanks, b. Dec. 2, 1920, d.
 174—Patricia Margaret, b. Mar. 31, 1926, d.

Lawrence Early Wilson (67); Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson (17); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Mabel Clayton, b. June 24, 1902, d., m. Aug. 9, 1924, Lawrence Early Wilson.

Child:

- 175—Margaret Elizabeth, b. July 12, 1925, d.

Charles Lonnel Wilson (68); Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson (17); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Allie Hall, b. Oct. 21, 1890, d., m. Oct. 19, 1919, Charles Lonnel Wilson.

Child:

- 176—Barbara June, b. June 26, 1922, d.

Curtis Otto Mittong (72); Henry Harrison Mittong (20); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Nellie Bly Sutton, b. Dec. 2, 1890, d., m. May 26, 1907, Curtis Otto Mittong.

Children:

- 177—Mildred Wyvett, b. Apr. 12, 1908, d.
 178—Kenneth, b. Sept 29, 1909, d.

Essie Jane Mittong (73); Henry Harrison Mittong (20); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittong (1). William E. Robinson, b. March 24, 1881, d., m. March 8, 1911, Essie Jane Mittong.

Children:

- 179—Wilber, b. Dec. 11, 1912, d.
 180—Elizabeth Frances, b. Feb. 3, 1915, d.
 181—Richard Dale, b. Jan 31, 1917, d.

Hazel Brooke Mittong (74); Henry Harrison Mittong (20); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Otis Clayborn Looman, b. May 3, 1886, d., m. May 25, 1913, Hazel Brooke Mittong.

Children:

- 182—Helen Winfred, b. June 16, 1916, d.
 183—Robert Harrison, b. Oct. 22, 1918, d.

Hallie Helen Mittong (75); Henry Harrison Mittong (20); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Granville Truman Knight, b. Feb. 15, 1890, d., m. Aug. 29, 1916, Hallie Helen Mittong.

Children:

- 184—Rosmond Eileen, b. Feb. 1, 1918, d.
 185—Harry Dale, b. Oct. 30, 1919, d.

Mary Ellen Rowand (76); Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand (21); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Mary Ellen m. first, Sept. 19, 1904, Clarence Early Hawkins, b. May 10, 1883, d. July 23, 1906, m. second, Aug. 4, 1907, William Wilson, b. June 10, 1873, d.

Children:

- 186—Marguerite Laona Hawkins, b. Apr. 23, 1905, d., m. June 9, 1925, Lew Evans, b., d.
 187—Elizabeth Alice Mae Wilson, b. July 2, 1908, d.
 188—Josephine Cora Wilson, b. June 12, 1911, d., m. June 12, 1926, Joseph Franklin Booth, b. Jan. 8, 1908, d.
 189—Juanita Naomi Wilson, b. May 29, 1917, d.

Grover Edgar Rowand (77); Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand (21); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Roma Gladys Moore, b. Feb. 12, 1896, d., m. Feb. 26, 1915, Grover Edgar Rowand.

Children:

190—Roma Imogene, b. Aug. 27, 1919, d.

191—Robert Edgar, b. Dec. 13, 1921, d.

Lulu D. Mae Rowand (78); Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand (21); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Herbert Thomas, b. Dec. 12, 1895, d., m., Lulu May Rowand.

Children:

192—Agnes Orvetta, b. Apr. 5, 1918, d.

193—Margaret Eleanor, b. Sept. 11, 1921, d.

194—Elizabeth Mae, b. Aug. 21, 1925, d.

Oland Mittong (96); Harry Osmy Mittong (34); George W. G. Mittong (9); Henry Mittong (2); John Mittank (1). Wanta May, b. Oct. 25, 1902, d., m., Oland Mittong.

Child:

195—Willard DeYoe, b. and d. May 26, 1921.

Charles Garland James (124); Frances Olviah (nee Bartrug) James (51); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Charles Garland, m. first, Mar. 16, 1906, Alice Lewis, b. Aug. 16, 1885, d. Aug. 16, 1907, m. second, July 10, 1916, Marie Yale, b. May 1, 1895, d.

Child by first wife:

196—Lawrence Lavern, b. Dec. 26, 1906, d.

Clarence Dell James (125); Frances Olviah (nee Bartrug) James (51); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Bessie Frances Glover, b. Apr. 17, 1885, d., m. Aug 17, 1911, Clarence Dell James.

Children:

197—Clarence Dell, jr., b. June 24, 1912, d.

198—Beulah Frances, b. June 19, 1914, d.

199—Robert Gail, b. Feb. 18, 1916, d.

200—Harry Fern, b. Oct. 26, 1918, d.

Cecil C. Bartrug (127); William Henry Bartrug (52); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Nettie B. Bell, b. Dec. 25, 1892, d., m. March 1911, Cecil C. Bartrug.

Children:

201—George Richard, b. Mar. 20, 1915, d.

202—John Wyatt, b. Nov. 29, 1919, d.

Keota Ruth Bartrug (130); Jacob Edward Bartrug (53); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Keota Ruth, m. First, April 1, 1915, Elmer Hurd, b., d., m. second, Jan. 4, 1920, Charles G. Loveland, b., d.

Child:

203—Hallie Alfred Loveland, b. Oct. 4, 1924, d.

Harriet Louise Bartrug (132); Jacob Edward Bartrug (53); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mit-

tong (3); John Mittank (1). Elmer McGee, b., d., m. Feb. 11, 1920, Harriet Louise Bartrug.

Child:

204—Gerald Boyce, b. June 1, 1925, d.

Gertrude Nevil Bartrug (133); Joseph Tyler Bartrug (54); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Noah Messenger, b. May 2, 1891, d., m. Aug. 9, 1920, Gertrude Nevil Bartrug.

Children:

205—Helen Maurine, b. July 30, 1921, d.

206—Hester Juanita, b. Mar. 26, 1923, d.

207—Paul Ethelbert, b. Aug. 19, 1925, d.

Mildred Irene Bartrug (135); Benjamin Franklin Bartrug (55); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Francis Hogan, b. Feb. 16, 1898, d., m. Mar. 1, 1919, Mildred Irene Bartrug.

Children:

208—Francis John, b. Aug. 1, 1920, d.

209—William Bartrug, b. Sept. 25, 1922, d.

Maud Mae Bartrug (136); Benjamin Franklin Bartrug (55); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Drexel M. Johnson, b. Sept. 5, 1896, d., m. Sept. 17, 1917, Maud Mae Bartrug.

Children:

210—William Burke, b. Oct. 28, 1919, d.

211—Mary Louise, b. Dec. 15, 1920, d.

212—Drexel Marion, jr., b. Apr. 19, 1922, d.

Amanda Louise Bartrug (137); Benjamin Franklin Bartrug (55); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Elmer Ellsworth Miller, b. Apr. 9, 1899, d., m. Sept. 24, 1921, Amanda Louise Bartrug.

Children:

213—Kent Francis, b. Oct. 27, 1922, d.

214—Gene Lou, b. Jan. 8, 1925, d.

Edith Violet Lantz (145); Rosa Annadell (nee Bartrug) Lantz (56); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). Dee Birkhimer, b. Apr. 7, 1892, d., m. June 24, 1914, Edith V. Lantz.

Children:

215—Stanley Dee, b. Feb. 25, 1915, d.

216—Edith Wyona, b. June 11, 1917, d.

217—Laddie Rutherford, b. Sept. 8, 1919, d.

218—Catherine, b. Jan. 19, 1921, d.

219—Lela Rose, b. Jan. 23, 1924, d.

220—Robert Glen, b. Apr. 24, 1925, d.

Opal Lillian Lantz (149); Rosa Annadell (nee Bartrug) Lantz (56); Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug (14); Jacob M. Mittong (3); John Mittank (1). George Leroy Mendenhall, b. May 16, 1894, d., m. July 6, 1921, Opal Lillian Lantz.

Children:

221—Jean Lucille, b. July 13, 1923, d.

222—Dale Duane, b. Nov. 24, 1924, d.

CHAPTER XIII

WILLS

PETER MOCK.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

I, Peter Mock of St. Clair Township, Bedford County and State of Pennsylvania, being weak in body, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament, first and principally commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping for remission of all my sins through the merits of Jesus Christ, my blessed Savior Redeemer, and my body to the earth, my just debts, and funeral expenses to be first paid. I will that all my real estate be sold one year after my decease and to be in the possession of my son Adam Mock that said year, and my personal estate, goods and shattels, of what kind and nature soever, to be sold immediately after my decease, to be divided equally amongst my children, in manner and form following, viz: Peter Mock, Paul Mock, my grandchildren, George Carn, Christopher Carn, Catherine Carn, Molly Carn, Sarah Carn, Henry Carn, and Hannah Carn, to have their mothers portion divided between them equally, Jacob Mock's portion to be equally divided between his children, John Mock, Susanna Mock, Paul Mock, Peter Mock, Sarah Mock, George Mock, Catherine Mock, Elizabeth Mock; my son John Mock, David Mock, Christopher Mock, George Mock, Adam Mock to have one hundred and fifty Dollars more than either of the rest; and lastly I hereby appoint, John McDonald and Philip Crisman, Executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twelfth day of May in the year of Our Lort A. D. 1815.

his
Peter (X) Mock (SEAL)
mark

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the within named Peter Mock to be his last will and Testament in the Presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator.

Daniel McDonald
Henry Ickes
Henry Oyler.

The will of Peter Mock was filed and probated on April 4, 1817, and recorded in will-book number 1, page 481, at Bedford, Pennsylvania.

WILL OF JAMES WALKER

I James Walker do hereby constitute make and ordain this my last will and testament which is in the following manner to-wit: it is my will that all my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid out of my estate and the remainder to be divided as follows; it is my will that my wife Sarah shall have the third part of my personal estate after paying my debts and charges as aforesaid, I likewise bequeath to my son James twenty dollars and to my daughter Ann Rigge five dollars, and to my daughter Mary Cunningham ten dollars and to my son John Walker fifty dollars and to my daughter Elizabeth Statler five dollars and to Sarah Myers five dollars and to my daughter Susanna Walker five dollars and to my son Jonathan Walker five dollars aforesaid the plantation I now live on together with all lands that I have any claim to whatever to him the said Jonathan Walker his heirs and assigns forever, and after paying the several sums above mentioned out of my personal estate to my several children aforesaid if there should be any remainder I bequeath the whole to my wife Sarah Walker to dispose of as she may think proper and I do hereby appoint Joshua Cunningham Executor of this my last will and testament and I do hereby disallow revoke and annul every other former testaments will or legacies revoking all others ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament as witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 21st day of December in the year of our Lord 1827.

Signed published and pronounced by James Walker in presence
ous.

David Musgrave
his
Jeremiah (X) King
mark

James Walker (Seal)

At a court held for Monongalia county, Va., Jan. Term 1828 the foregoing last will and testament was produced in court proven by the oath of Jeremiah King and James Amos witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Attest: N. Evans, Clk.

WILL OF RICHARD TENNANT

In the name of God AMEN. I RICHARD TENNANT SR.; of Monongalia County, and State of Virginia, being weak in body but being in sound mind and a disposed memory and knowing that it is appointed for all men to dye, I make this my last will and testament to depose of my worly property as it has pleased GOD to bless me within the maner following, First of all my funeral expenses and just debts to be paid. 2nd, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Tennant fifty acres of land where she pleases to take it during her life, likewise fifty dollars in cash and a fether bed and bedding and one milk cow and one horse and woman saddle, likewise the graine the and this faul meet that is now upon hand. 3rd, Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Peter Tennant five dollars in cash. 4th, Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Richard Tennant one hundred dollars. 5th, I give and bequeath to my beloved son William Tennant forty nine dollars. 6th, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Alexander Tennant twenty-five dollars. 7th, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Joseph Tennant one hundred dollars. 8th, I give and bequeath to my beloved son John Tennant forty dollars. 9th, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Adam Tennant fifty dol-

lars. 10th, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Abraham Tennant sixty dollars. 11th, I give and bequeath to my son Jacob Tennant sixty five dollars. 12th, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Marry Tennant twenty five dollars. 13th, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Connor sixty dollars. 14th, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Catherine Morris forty dollars. 15th, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Margaret Varner one hundred dollars. 16th, I give and bequeath to Richard Tennant the son of Alexander Tennant a horse saddle and bridle worth fifty dollars, if he should live with the my wife till he became of age, and if she should decease before he becomes of age, he must live with some of my sons. 17th, the above legaciess to be paid out of my personal estate, likewise my just debts and funeral expenses. 18th, all my real estate to be equally devided betwixt Richard Tennant Jr., Joseph Tennant, Alexander Tennant, William Tennant, John Tennant, Adam Tennant, Abraham Tennant, Jacob Tennant, my sons. Lastly I constitute Joseph Tennant and Jacob Tennant, executors to see that this will duly performed, my last will and testament revoking all other wills made by me.

Given under my hand and seal, this 18th day of Dec. 1822.

his
Richard (X) Tennant
mark

Elijah Dunn
Teste: Samuel Minor
Stephen Archer.

At a court held for Monongalia county, Va., January term 1823 this last will and testament was produced in court, proven by the oath of Elijah Dunn and Samuel Minor witnesses there to and admitted to record.

Will-book number 1, page 392, Morgantown, Monongalia co., W. Va.
Attest: N. Evans Clk.

WILL OF WILLIAM WILSON

In the name of God Amen, I William Wilson of Monogalia Co. & being in frail state of body but through the mercy of God in perfect health of mind and memmory do make and constitute and ordain this to be my last will and testament.

First I give my body to be buried in the dust from whence it was taken and my soul I recommend into tha hands of the great and Almighty God. Secondly I give and bequeath to my wife Rebecca Wilson what the law will allow her and no more. 3rdly I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Wilson five shillings. 4dly I bequeath to my son George Wilson five shillings. 5thly I bequeath to my daughter Barsha Williams five shillings. 6thly I bequeath to my daughter Linny five shillings. 7thly I bequeath to my daughter Rebecca five shillings. 8thly I bequeath to my daughter Harriet five shillings. 9thly I bequeath to my son Josiah five shillings. 10thly, I bequeath to my son Abraham five shillings. 11thly, I bequeath to my daughter Ruth divine five shillings. 12thly, I bequeath to my daughter Nancy five shillings. I bequeath to my daughter Eleanor all my land and the rest of my movable Estate and it is also my will that brother Josiah Wilson would make my daughter Eleanor a deed for the land as soon as he can.

In testimony that I make and ordain this my last will and testament I have hereto set my hand this twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seven at the signing.

his
William (X) Wilson
mark

John Lynch
James Barker
John (his 'X' mark) Barker

At a court held for Monongalia County, Va., February Term 1807 this last will and testament of William Wilson was produced in Court and proved by the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Will book number 1, page 318 at Morgantown, West Virginia.

Attest: N. Evans C. M. C.

WILL OF JOSIAH WILSON

In the name of God Amen.

I Josiah Wilson of Monongalia County and State of Virginia being aged and infirm but strong in mind and memory, thanks to God for the same calling to mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed unto all men once to die and as to things of worldly property that God has pleased to bless me with I give and dispose of the same in the following manner. I promise my will and desire is that my just debts shold be first paid. I give to Juliet Muckelroy wife of Samuel Muckelroy all my estate both real and personal and desire that Samuel Muckelroy her husband shall be my Executor.

his
Josiah (X) Wilson
mark

his
James (X) Steel Senior
mark
Alexander Summers.

At a Court held for Monongalia County, Va., August term 1821 this last will and testament was produced in Court proven by the oath of James Steel and James Steel Jun'r witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Will-book 1, page 395, Morgantown, Monongalia county, W. Va.

Teste: N. Evans, Clk.

WILL OF JAMES BARKER

In the name of God Amen, I James Barker of the County of Monongalia and Commonwealth of Virginia being in frail state of body, but in perfect health of mind and memory do make constitute and ordain this to be my last will and testament.

First I give my body to be buried in the dust from whence it was taken and recommend and resign my soul into the hands of the Almighty and merciful God. Secondly I give to my son Imlah G.

Barker two small tracts of land lying near Dents Mill adjoining lands of Benjamin Hamilton John A. Berkshire and others with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging the farms to be rented and put to the use of my son except it should be necessary for a part of the rents to be put to the use of schooling my son and my three daughters if so a part to be applied in that way, I also give to my son Imlah a black boy named Alfred not to be put to the use of my son til my son arrives at the age of eighteen years that is if his mother remains my widow but when she is no more my widow then Alfred to be put to the use of my son. Thirdly I give to my daughter Nancy a black boy named hannable to be hired out for the use of my daughter from the time she is sixteen years of age except her mother marries and if so from that time Hannable is to be put out for the use of my daughter. Fourthly I give to my daughter Mary Ann a black boy named Francis to be directed and managed in the same way as in the case of my eldest daughter. Fifthly I give to my daughter Amariah a black boy named Allen to be directed and managed in the same way as in the case of my daughters before mentioned.

I desire a part of my horses and cattle to be sold not so as to not leave a sufficiency for the use of the family and the money to be put to interest til such times that it is needful for my son and daughters to have a horse and saddle the money to be put to that use, I also give to my son & daughters each a bed and bedding.

Sixthly I give to my beloved wife Amelia all the tract of land I now live on that is what my eldest deed holds during her natural life and at her decease to be equally devided between my three daughters. I also give to my wife all the land that I hold adjoining the before mentioned survey during her widowhood and when she is no more my widow that part of the land to my three daughters to be rented out and equally devided I also give to my wife a black girl and her increase if any during her natural life and then to be equally divided between my three daughters. I also give to my beloved wife all my personal estate that is not herein before disposed of as long as she remains my widow and when she is no more by widow two thirds of the personal estate before mentioned to fall to my three daughters to be equally divided and the one third I give to my wife during her natural life then to be equally divided between my three daughters. I also give to my wife a black woman named Fanny as my wife remains my widow and when she is no more my widow Fanny and her increase if any to fall to my son and three daughters to be put out for their use to be equally devided.

Given under my hand and seal this 16th day of Oct. 1822.

I appoint James Arnett & Daniel Arnett my Executors.

his
John (X) Barker
Teste: mark
Daniel Arnett
James Arnett

James Barker (Seal)

At a Court held for Monongalia County January Term 1823, this last will and testament of James Barker dec'd was produced in court proven by the oaths of John Barker, Daniel Arnett and James Arnett witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Will-book 1, page 376, Morgantown, Monongalia county, W. Va.

Attest: N. Evans, Clerk.

WILL OF THOMAS F. BROOKE

In the name of Almighty God through whose munificence I am blessed with worldly property considering it is my duty to name the manner in which I desire the same to be disposed of when it may please the great author of my being to call me from this transitory life. Having fully satisfied my sons Thomas D. Brooke, Samuel H. Brooke, John B. Brooke, Matthew E. Brooke and Allen D. Brooke by transferring property to each of them and which I hold their several receipts. Therefore I give all the property as well real as personal to my several youngest children namely Edward Gantt Brooke, Benjamin Brooke, Sarah H. Brooke, James Brooke, Rachel Brooke, Theophilus Brooke and Mary E. Brooke to each and all of them and their heirs forever. I will that my wife Mary Brooke have the management of the said property as the natural guardian of the said seven children and hope under the guidance of Divine Providence she may enjoy a comfortable support and be enabled to educate the above named children and will bring them up in the Christian faith to love and serve God agreeable to the truth as it is contained in the Bible. I will that my daughter Priscilla B. Brooke be supported and taken care of by my wife and that my home be her home and black woman Sary attend on her during her natural life. I will that boy Jefferson be free at the age of thirty and girl Sarah Ann be free at the age of twenty eight. I will that boy Charles be free on the 12 day of April 1839 it being on the same day and at the same time that Tanner Charles sold to Truman West of Allegany County, Maryland is by contract intituled to his freedom. My son Richard Brooke having a claim on my estate amounting to \$460 or about that sum in case I should not live to extinguish the same I will that my wife shall dispose of any property which I may possess in Allegany County Md. for the purpose of discharging the said claim and she is hereby authorized to sell and make a legal transfer of any land as above named for the said purpose. I hereby declare the above instrument of writing to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I hereby subscribe my name this 4th day of June 1834.

Thomas Brooke.

Signed Sealed and acknowledged in presence of Thomas P. Ray, D. Musgrave, George S. Dering.

At a Court held for Monongalia County November term 1836, the foregoing last will and testament of Thomas F. Brooke dec'd was produced in court duly proven by the oath of Thos. P. Ray and George S. Dering witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Will-book 1, page 96, Morgantown, Monongalia county, W. Va.

Attest: Thos. P. Ray, Clerk.

WILL OF JOHN T. ROWAND

November the 26th A. D. 1852 I John T. Rowand of Marion County state of Virginia do hereby make my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say. 1st I desire that after the payment of my debts and funral expences I give to my wife Hannah Rowand all my estate both real and personal for and during the term of her natural life and after her decease I give the same to my children herein after mentioned. 2nd I give to my (son) Daniel F. Rowand all my lands in Marion County state of Virginia to him and

his heirs forever. 3rd I desire that all my personal property be divided equally amongst the remaining part of my children namely. Mary E. Rowand, Elizabeth E. Rowand, Joseph H. Rowand, George W. Rowand, Sarah A. Rowand, Martha J. Rowand, which I give to them their heirs executors administrations and assigns forever and lastly I do hereby contribute and appoint my friend Alven E. Wilson executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 26th day of November in the year 1852.

John T. Rowand (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by John T. Rowand as and for his last will and Testament in the person and hearing of us who at his request and in his presence have inscribed our names as witnesses this 26th Nov. 1852.

N. Wilson
R. E. Martin

Marion County Court December Term 1852 the last will and Testament of John T. Rowand deceased was presented in court and proven by the oaths of N. Wilson and R. E. Martin and ordered to be recorded.

Teste: Thomas L. Boggess, Clk.

The above will of John T. Rowand was copied from a court record at Fairmont, Marion county, W. Va.

WILL OF NEHEMIAH GLOVER

In the name of God amen. I Nehemiah Glover farmer of Marion County Virginia being in an infirm state of health but of sound mind and memory, thanks be given unto God; calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed of all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of almighty God that giveth and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the direction of my executors: Nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it pleased God to bless me in this life. I give demise & dispose of in the following manner and form.

First, I give and bequeath to my son John Glover one dollar current money of the United States to him his heirs & assigns to have forever. Then I give bequeath to my son Samuel Glover his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land containing fifty acres be the same more or less as follows, beginning at a small white oak running south across the bottom and a newly marked line across the hill to a white oak corner on the original line. Item, I give and bequeath to my son Ephraim Glover his heirs & assigns forever one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my son William Glover his heirs and assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my son Nehemiah Glover, Jr., his heirs & assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my son Isaac Glover his heirs and assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my son Amos Glover his heirs & assigns one

dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Barbara Bartrick her heirs & assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Six her heirs and assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Byard her heirs and assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Metz her heirs and assigns one dollar current money of the United States. Item, I give and bequeath to my son Leonard his heirs and Executors, administrators and assigns to have and hold forever all the residue of my estate real and personal giving to his mother an ample maintenance during her natural life.

I likewise make and ordain constitute and appoint my two well beloved sons Amos and Leonard my Executors to execute this my last will and testament & I do hereby alter by revoke all former wills legacies or executors by me before in any wise named & bequeathed ratifying this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of February A. D. 1844.

his
Nehemiah (X) Glover
mark (Seal)

Signed sealed published & pronounced & declared by the said Nehemiah Glover as his last will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence & in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names.

Abisha A. Clark
Alexander C. Clark.

N. B.

The above intertining was done before signing.

Marion County Court February term 1848 the last will and Testament of Nehemiah Glover deceased was this day produced in open court and proved by the oaths of Abisha Clark and Alexander C. Clark subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

A copy test: Thomas L. Boguess, Clk.

The will of Nehemiah Glover on record in Marion county, W. Va.

WILL OF ABRAHAM TALKINGTON

July 9th 1864.

Knowing that life is uncertain and that death is certain and feeling as if I was in my right mind though weak in body. I now make this my last will and Testament as follows.

I will unto my son Abraham O. Talkington the Goodall tract and the old original tract of land where we now reside with this exception that my wife Elizabeth is to have her support during her natural life off of the above described tracts and afterwards to be the property of the above named Abraham O. Talkington, without any other reserve whatever, and unto my son, Nathan W. Talkington I will one hundred and ten acres or all the land below Jesse Talkington and above what I have willed to Abraham O. Talkington and the balance of my land lying on Bear Dren containing sixty or seventy acres I will unto my son Jesse Talkington by his paying my three daughters six hundred dollars in the manner and form following, that is to say, at any time

within six years from this date, that he may desire; and as to personal property my will and desire is that my wife Elizabeth shall take and use and dispose of amongst the children as she may desire together with the store house in Mannington as well as all the effects coming to me, to have and to hold and dispose of as she sees proper, except the notes on John Nay, them I wish Sarah Jane Brooks to have and dispose of as her property, and also I appoint Abraham O. Talkington my executor to pay over and collect money or to do anything that is necessary for an executor to do.

Given under my hand this day and date above written,

Attest: M. Millan

Abraham Talkington

John P. Prickett.

Recording Office Marion County, W. Va., September 12th, 1864 the last will and Testament of Abraham Talkington deceased was this day produced before the undersigned deputy recorder of said county and proven by M. Millan and John P. Prickett subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn deposes as follows to wit: That the said Testator subscribed the will in their presence and that they also subscribed the same in presence of the Testator and at his request and that the Testator at the time of making and subscribing the said will aforesaid was to the best of their apprehension of sound mind.

Teste: E. W. S. Moore, D. R.

The above will of Abraham Talkington was copied from the records at the court house of Marion county, West Virginia.

WILL OF REBECCA WILSON

In the name of Almighty God, I Rebecca Wilson of Monongalia County and State of Virginia, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following: First and principally I recommend my soul in the most submissive manner into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the merits and meditations of my blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to support everlasting life, the worldly goods it has pleased the Almighty to bestow on me I dispose of in the manner following (viz) I do by this my last will and testament authorise and appoint my sons Josiah F. Wilson and Abraham Wilson executors of this my last will and testament, Item I will unto my daughter Barsheba Griffith Williams one dollar to her and her heirs, Item I will unto my daughter Vilander Foster one dollar to her and her heirs. Item I will unto my daughter Rebecca Elles Haymond one dollar to her and her heirs. Item I will unto my daughter Harriett Evans one dollar to her and her heirs. Item I will unto my son Josiah F. Wilson half of the land I bought of William Thomas which I now live on to him and his heirs and assigns forever also a cow and bed to him and his heirs. Item I will unto my son Abraham Wilson the other half of the same land I bought of William Thomas which I now live on to him his heirs and assigns forever, (there being one hundred acres in the survey), also a bed to him and his heirs. Item I will unto my youngest daughter Nancy Furguson Wilson the house and lot I purchased of Timothy Warden it lying in Smithfield in the County of Monongalia also my negro man named Charles and a mulatto boy named John and all my money and horses my chattels sheep and hogs household furniture plantation untnsials to her, her heirs and assigns forever, also daughter Nancy Furguson Wilson is to take good care of my daughter Ruth Levinah Wilson to support her in good sufficient diet & aperl

during her natural life and to pay the legacies to the first four mentioned when called upon.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal to this my last will and testament this twenty fourth day of March A. D. 1821.

Rebecca Wilson (Seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us,

Caleb Beall

Isaac Cooper

John A. Guseman.

At a Court held for Monongalia County February Term A. D. 1823 this last will and testament, was produced in court proven by the oath of Isaac Cooper and John A. Guseman witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Attest: N. Evans, Clerk.

Th above will of Rebecca Wilson is recorded in will-book 1, page 391, at Morgantown, Monongalia county, W. Va.

Rebecca Wilson was the wife of William Wilson, and sister-in-law of Benjamin Wilson, these two Wilsons being early settlers in Monongalia county, West Virginia.

CHAPTER XIV

DEEDS

The following deed is recorded at Morgantown, W. Va. vol. 3-O. S. page 12, dated September 1803. Situate Mt. Taber.

To all people to whom those presents shall come we Benjamin Wilson and Elenor his wife do send greetings. Know ye That we the said Benjamin Wilson & Elenor his wife of the county of Monongalia & Commonwealth of Virginia for and in consideration of the good will which we have & do bear to the regular Baptist Church of the county and Commonwealth aforesaid known by the name of Mount Taber have given and granted & by these presents do fully give and grant to the said regular Baptist Church Mount Taber a certain plot of ground of the tract of land wherein the said Benjamin Wilson now lives in the county and Commonwealth aforesaid containing one acre & bounded as followeth to wit: Beginning at a stone near the old state road on the waters of Scotts Meadow Run then northwardly to dogwood—west 16 poles to a stone thence south 67 east 10 poles to a stone thence north 23 degrees east 16 poles to a stone thence south 67 degrees west to the beginning together with all the houses lands tenements hereditaments woods underwoods ways profits hereditaments & Appurtenances what so ever to the same belonging or appertaining to have and to hold the said plot or parcel of ground with the tenements hereditaments and all and singular the premises herein before mentioned and every part & parcel thereof with every of their rights and appurtenances unto the said regular Baptist Church Mount Taber forever to and for the only purpose use and behoof of them the Baptist Church Mount Taber forever and the said Benjamin Wilson and Elenor his wife for themselves & their heirs with all and singular the promise and appurtenances before mentioned the said Church Mount Taber free from all claim or claim of them the said Benjamin Wilson and Elenor his wife and their heirs shall will and do warrent and forever defend by those presence in writings whereof the said Benjamin Wilson and Elenor his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals this 12th day of September 1803.

Signed sealed and advertised in the presence of, Wm. Waynes, Samuel Swerington and Isaih (his 'n' mark) Wilson.

his
Benjamin (B) Wilson
mark
her
Elenor (7) Wilson
mark

September Court 1803 this deed from Benjamin Wilson and Elenor his wife to the Baptist Church Mount Taber was produced in open court acknowledged by the said Benjamin and the said Elenor they being proven recommended as the law directs and adjoining thereto was ordered to be recorded.

Teste: J. Evans, Clk.

Morgantown, W. Va. deed book 12, O. S. page 431, deed of the heirs of Benjamin Wilson dated 1835.

This indenture made the sixteenth day of August in the year 1834 between William Wilson and Rachel his wife, Georeg Wilson and Rebecca his wife, James Wilson and Nancy his wife, Leven Wilson and Sophia his wife, David Eddy and Mary his wife, James Anderson and Lyda his wife, and Elizabeth Wilson widow of John Wilson dec'd of Monongalia County and state of Virginia, and John Rogers and Elenor his wife, and Jacob Hibbs and Milly his wife of Preston County and state aforesaid of the one part and Charles Wolverton of the County of Monongalia & state aforesaid of the other part; witnesseth, that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, ateen, enfeoff, release and conform unto the said Charles Wolverton his heirs and assigns forever all their undivided interest in & to one hundred & twenty seven & one half acres of land situated lying and being in the County of Monongalia on the waters of Meadow Run it being the south end or part of the land that the late Benjamin Wilson died puzed of the part hereby intended to be conveyed is bounded as followeth to wit: Beginning at a poplar in one of the original lines & corner to Robert Lough's part of the same tract and running with three of his lines S. $2\frac{1}{2}$ East 85 poles to a stone by the side of the county road thence nearly along said road N. 82 W. 53 poles to a stone near the barn S. $80\frac{1}{3}$ W. 54 poles to a stone in another of the original lines & also in James Arnett's line & with the same south $36\frac{6}{10}$ poles to a stone & pointers S. $31\frac{1}{2}$ East 98 poles to a white oak near the run S. 64° E. $28\frac{2}{10}$ poles to a stone S. 41° East $8\frac{1}{10}$ poles to a stone N. 63° E. 31 poles to a white oak & dogwood in John Dents line & with two of the same N. 12° W. 145 poles to pointers N. $56\frac{1}{2}$ W. $69\frac{2}{10}$ poles to the beginning containing $127\frac{1}{2}$ acres be the same more or less to have and to hold the above described, with appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining to the only proper use benefit and behoof of him the said Charles Wolverton his heirs and assigns forever, and the said parties of the first part for themselves and their heirs do covenant to and with the said Charles Wolverton his heirs and assigns, that at the time of selling and delivering these presents they are seized of a good sure perfect and undefeasable estate of inheritance in fee simple, in the above described premisses, free from all claims, liens or incumbrances, and that they have good right and authority to convey the same in manner and form aforesaid, and that they will warrant secure and forever defend the said premises to the said Charles Wolverton his heirs and assigns, free from the claim or claims of all persons whatsoever.

In testimony where of the said parties of the first part have hereunto signed their names and affixed their seals the day and year above written.

William Wilson (Seal)	her Rachel (R) Wilson (Seal) mark
George Wilson (Seal)	her Rebecca (m) Wilson (Seal) mark
his James (m) Wilson (Seal) mark	her Nancy (O) Wilson (Seal) mark
Leven Wilson (Seal)	her Sophia (O) Wilson mark

David Eddy (Seal)	her Mary () Eddy (Seal) mark
Elizabeth (X) Wilson (Seal) mark	her Lyda (O) Anderson (Seal) mark
James Anderson (Seal)	her Milly (I) Hibbs (Seal) mark
Jacob Hibbs (Seal)	

Deed, Elenor Wilson heirs, to Thomas Wilson, deed book 14, O. S. dated May 30, 1831, names the same heirs as the above named deed of the heirs of Benjamin Wilson, conveying two tracts of land lying on both sided of Booths creek about a mile from its mouth in Monongalia county, W. Va.

Deed book number 6, page 65, Morgantown, W. Va., James Walker deceased October 1, 1814, heirs: Joseph, Alexander, James, Philip, and Robert.

Residence of James Walker, sr., Knox county, Ohio, and he is likely the father of James Walker, jr., who married Sarah McMullen.

Monongalia county deed book 11, page 580, dated November 9, 1833, shows the heirs of John Statler to be as follows:

Levi Anderson and Sarah his wife;
David Wright and Susan his wife;
John DeLester and Castilda his wife; and
Jacob Statler and Elizabeth his wife.

Another deed of John Statler, dated March 13, 1796, deed book 1, O. S. page 41, shows the name of John Statler's wife to be Eve.

Deed book 2, page 363, dated October, 1788, Christopher Raber and wife Catherine Raber, 400 acres situate on Dunkard creek, Monongalia county, W. Va.

Harrison county, W. Va., deed book 5, page 184 dated January 7, 1835. 50 acres to William Kendall, (name spelled Kindall) lying on the third right hand fork of Dents run, Harrison co. W. Va., and adjoining the land of Samuel Kendall (Kindall).

Deed book 5, page 187, Harrison county, W. Va., dated December 11, 1835, 100 acres surveyed for Samuel Kendall, on Dents Run.

Deed book 5, page 231, Harrison county, W. Va. dated March 10, 1836, 50 acres survey for Stephen Kendall, situate in Harrison county, W. Va., on the ridge between Pyles fork and Bartholomews fork of Buffalo creek, and Dents run. The above deeds show about the time the Kendalls settled in West Virginia.

Harrison county, W. Va., deed book 5, page 127, survey Reuben D. Sutton dated October 9, 1832, 39 acres on Indian fork of the Buckeye fork of Middle Island creek, Harrison county, W. Va.

Harrison county, W. Va., deed book 5, page 64, dated September 10, 1825, Henry Watson, 214 acres on Bartholomews fork of Buffalo creek, and deed book 6, page 75, dated June 24, 1841, 125 acres situate at Salt Lick run of Buffalo creek now Marion county, W. Va.

CHAPTER XV

REVOLUTIONARY WAR RECORDS

- ASH, CHRISTOPHER, from Pennsylvania.
BAKER, NICHOLAS, from Delaware.
BARTRUG, PETER, from Maryland.
BEALL, SAMUEL B., LIEUT., was in Captain Reverelles first regiment of Maryland in the year 1781.
BEAN, WILLIAM, from Delaware.
BOWSER, JACOB, 1777-1778, 7th battalion, York county, Pa. militia.
BOWSER, NOAH, 1777-1778, 7th battalion, York county, Pa. militia.
CAMPBELL, ROBERT, on pay roll Capt. William Haymond's company from Monongalia county, Virginia. (Now W. Va.)
EDWARDS, NATHAN, from Virginia.
GUSEMAN, ABRAHAM, enlisted in a company organized in Berkeley county, Virginia, (now W. Va.) when he was seventeen years of age, and served seven years as a private. He was wounded three times.
GUSEMAN, JOHN, brother of Abraham Guseman, served seven years as a private in the same company with Abraham.
JARVIS, JOHN, served 18 months in Captain Matthew's company Crew of the Galley defense from Maryland.
JARVIS, SOLOMON, SGT., enlisted Jan. 25, 1776, at the age of 23, in 3rd. Maryland Independent company, from Worcester county, Maryland. Reference: Maryland archives volume 18, page 21, muster roll 3rd Maryland infantry.
MOCK, PETER, from Bedford township, Bedford county, Pennsylvania.
SHIPLEY, WILLIAM, JR., served in the North division, borough of Wilmington, Delaware.
SHIPLEY, WILLIAM, SR., from Delaware.
TENNANT, RICHARD, enlisted in the year 1778, as a drummer, and served three months in a division commanded by General McIntosh from Monongalia county, Virginia, (now W. Va.)
WILSON, BENJAMIN, from Monongalia county, Virginia, (now W. Va.)
WILSON, JAMES, from Monongalia county, Virginia, (now W. Va.)
WILSON, JOSIAH, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
WILSON, WILLIAM, from Monongalia county, Virginia, (now W. Va.)

WAR OF 1812

- CLARK, ZADDOCK, Captain from Maryland.
EDWARDS, WILLIAM, MAJOR, from Virginia.
KENNEDY, SAMUEL, CAPTAIN, from Monongalia county Va, (now W. Va.)
KNIGHT, GUSTAVES.
KUHN, JOHN, from Green county, Pa.
PIXLER, SAMUEL, private in Captain James Hurry's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia, (now W. Va.)
SHANKS, MATTHEWS, private, on pay roll of Captain Andrew Moore's, company, 1812-1814, from Pennsylvania.
TENNANT, ABRAHAM, in Captain James Hurry's company from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
TENNANT, ALEXANDER, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)

- TENNANT, JACOB, private in Captain Jesse Ice's company, Monongalia county, Virginia, (now W. Va.)
- TENNANT, JOSEPH, private in Captain James Hurry's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- TENNANT, PETER, SGT., in Captain Jesse Ice's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- TENNANT, RICHARD, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- TENNANT, WILLIAM, private in Captain Samuel Kennedy's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- VARNER, DANIEL, private in Captain Jesse Ice's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- VARNER, JOSEPH, private in Captain Jesse Ice's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- WALKER, ISAAC H., private in Captain Morgan's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- WALKER, JOHN, private in Capt. Morgan's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- WILSON, GEORGE P., CORPORAL, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- WILSON, JAMES, private in Captain Morgan's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)
- WISEMAN, BENJAMIN, killed in the war of 1812.

MEXICAN WAR

- MOCK, PAUL, 1846, private company L. 2nd regiment, Pennsylvania.
- PIXLER, WILLIAM, private in Captain John Tyler's company, from Monongalia county, Virginia. (now W. Va.)

CIVIL WAR

- CORL, FRANCIS, enlisted in company G., 91st regiment Pa. He was wounded at the battle of Hatcher's run, Virginia, and died on Oct. 27, 1864, from the effect of the wound.
- EDWARDS, DAVID CROCKET, CAPTAIN, enlisted on Aug. 4, 1861, in 2nd Maryland regiment, volunteer infantry, company H., as second lieutenant. He was in the battle of Gettysburg and many other battles. He was captured in Jan. 1863, by Lee's forces and taken to Liby prison—remaining there five months, then was moved to Macon, Georgia; from there to Charleston, S. C.; and finally to Columbia, S. C. He was in prison fourteen months and twelve days. He was moved from Columbia, S. C., to Wilmington, N. C., where he was exchanged for another officer. He was paroled and mustered out on March 15, 1865. His parole was hastened by personal correspondence carried on between his wife and President Abraham Lincoln—two of these letters being in the possession of living representatives of this family.
- FEATHER, MICHAEL, served as a private in Company I., 171st regiment, and company F., 99th regiment, Pennsylvania.
- FEATHER, SIMON M., served as a private in company E., 138th regiment, volunteer, Pennsylvania.
- KUHN, JOHN, served in the Federal army.
- MITTANK, GEORGE, enlisted Aug. 28, 1862, in company C., 89th Ind. infantry. He was killed at the battle of Pleasant Hill, La., on April 9, 1864.
- MITTANK, JOHN, served in the Federal army.
- MITTANK, MICHAEL, enlisted Sept. 21, 1864, in the 32nd Ind. infantry.

MITTONG, JOHN WILLIAM, enlisted in 1861, company E., 76th Pennsylvania infantry and was discharged in November, 1865.

MITTONG, WILLIAM HENRY, enlisted in 1865 in the 7th West Virginia regiment and was discharged at the close of the war.

MOCK, EMANUEL, enlisted in company K., 55th regiment, Pennsylvania. He was wounded—losing an arm.

MOCK, JOSIAH, SGT., enlisted Sept. 7, 1861 in company K., 55th regiment, volunteer, Pa. He was captured at Petersburg, Va., in October, 1864, and incarcerated in Libby prison, and later moved to Salisbury prison—being in prison over five months. He was exchanged in March, 1865, and died at Annapolis, Maryland, on Mar. 22, 1865, from the effects of incarceration in Salisbury prison.

MOCK, MALACHI, enlisted on Sept. 7, 1861, and died with typhoid fever at Beaufort, S. C., on November 7, 1862.

MOCK, MICHAEL, enlisted on July 13, 1863, in company A., 101st regiment, Pennsylvania, and was discharged on May 3, 1865.

MOCK, SAMUEL A., enlisted in company K., 55th regiment, Pa.

MOCK, TOBIAS, enlisted on Feb. 19, 1864, in company K., 55th regiment, Pennsylvania volunteer, as a private, and died on Aug. 7, 1864, from wounds received in the battle at Petersburg, Va.

MOCK, WILLIAM, son of David, serving under the name of his son, David, was mustered into service on July 16, 1864, on a 100 day service call, in 195th regiment, Pennsylvania, company B., and was discharged on Nov. 4, 1864.

MOCK, WILLIAM, son of Samuel, was killed while on picket duty, somewhere in Virginia.

MOCK, WILLIAM P., enlisted at Reading, Pa., on April 18, 1861, in Ringold light artillery, company E. 11th regiment, Pennsylvania, and was killed at the battle of Bull run.

MOORE, LINDSEY CLARK, served in the Federal army.

MOORE, DANIEL, enlisted in 1862, and was discharged in 1865.

MOORE, MARTIN VANBUREN, enlisted in Dec., 1862, in company K., 14th regiment, under Captain Holt, and was captured on Jan. 4, 1864, at New creek, and died in Andersonville prison.

MOORE, WILLIAM, served in the Federal army, and was killed at the battle of Winchester, Virginia.

PIXLER, WILLIAM W., enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

SHANKS, JOHN, enlisted on Jan. 24, 1865, in company B., 6th W. Va. infantry, and was discharged in June, 1865, at Wheeling, W. Va.

STATLER, JOHN, served in the Federal army.

TENNANT, AMON J., enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

TENNANT, ANDREW, enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

TENNANT, JACOB P., enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

TENNANT, SIMON, enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

TENNANT, WILLIAM, enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

TENNANT, ZIMRI, enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

WALKER, GEORGE R., enlisted in company E., 7th regiment, W. Va.

WALKER, JAMES, served in the Federal army.

WATSON, GEORGE W., enlisted in company E., 17th regiment, W. Va.

WATSON, JAMES S., enlisted in company C., 14th regiment, W. Va.

WATSON, JAMES W., enlisted in company C., 14th regiment, W. Va.

WILSON, ALPHEUS, enlisted in 6th regiment, West Virginia.

WILSON, EDGAR C., enlisted in company K., 9th W. Va., volunteer. He served almost four years.

WILSON, ENOS PERRY, served in Federal army. He died in Maryland.

WILSON, FLETCHER B., enlisted in 6th W. Va., as a line sergeant.

WILSON, GEORGE R., enlisted in April, 1863, in the Confederate army. On leaving Marion county, W. Va., for the Southern army he was captured in the Allegheny mountains. He was sent through and

exchanged, joining the 20th Virginia cavalry, company B., under Captain Thomas Arnett, Brigadier General B. G. Early and General William Jackson. He was discharged in June, 1865 at the close of the war.

WILSON, GEORGE WASHINGTON, enlisted in the 3rd W. Va. cavalry. He was killed while on picket duty somewhere in Virginia.

WILSON, HENRY P., enlisted in September, 1862, in company B., 20th Virginia cavalry, and was discharged in 1865.

WILSON, JOHN R., enlisted in September, 1862, in company B., 20th Virginia cavalry, and was discharged in 1865.

WAR WITH SPAIN 1898

NUZUM, JAMES PERRY, enlisted in company H., 1st regiment, W. Va., and was honorably discharged on Feb. 4, 1899.

WORLD WAR

BARTRUG, SERGEANT ALFRED, enlisted on Sept. 21, 1917, in company A. at Camp Pike. He embarked for Europe on Nov. 7, 1918, landing at Liverpool, England, on Nov. 14, 1918. He returned to the U. S. A. on Nov. 21, 1919, and was discharged at Camp Dodge, Iowa, on Dec. 7, 1919.

BARTRUG, SERGEANT HALLIE, enlisted on Sept. 6, 1918, in the Motor Transport corps at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He was discharged on Feb. 13, 1919.

EDWARDS, SERGEANT JOSEPH OLIVER, enlisted on Sept. 17, 1917, in company D., Sixth engineers, and transferred to 1st Replacement engineers as corporal, then transferred to company A., as sergeant first class. He went over-seas in Sept., 1918, and was in France for ten months. He returned to the United States and was discharged on June 29, 1919.

GARRISON, JOHN PRENNALL, enlisted on May 22, 1918, in headquarters company, 3rd infantry, and was discharged on June 23, 1919.

HALL, IVAN FOREST, enlisted on July 24, 1918, at Mannington, W. Va., and entrained for Camp Meade, Maryland, where he went into training for six weeks. He was then sent to Camp Sheridan, Ala., in company H., 46th infantry, of the 9th division, and left there on April 19, 1919, for Fort Oglethorp, Ga. He left Fort Oglethorp on July 22, 1919, for Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, where he was discharged on July 29, 1919.

JOHNSON, CORPORAL JOSEPH LILLARD, enlisted on Aug. 1, 1918, in company B., 221st Field Signal battalion. He was in training at Camp Alford Vail and Little Silver, N. J., and was discharged on January 31, 1919.

MENDENHALL, GEORGE LEROY, entered service on April 19, 1918. He was in France and in actual service in the Arnold sector from June 22, 1918, to July 16, 1918; St. Die sector, July 16, 1918, to Aug. 23, 1918; Frappelle engagement, Aug. 17, 1918, to Aug. 25, 1918; St. Mihiel offensive, Sept. 12, 1918, to Sept. 16, 1918; and Meuse Argonne, Oct. 10, 1918, to November, 1918. He was discharged July 22, 1919.

REECE, CAPTAIN ROBERT LINCOLN, enlisted May 12, 1917, in 117th ammunition train, 42nd (Rainbow) division, as a private. He was promoted to first lieut. in Kansas National guard on July 21, 1917, and assigned to command truck company D., 117th ammunition truck, "Rainbow Division." He was commissioned in the Federal troops Aug. 5, 1917, and ordered over-seas. He was stationed at Camp Mills, Long Island, New York, Sept. 1, 1917,

to Oct. 29, 1917, on which date they embarked for foreign service—arriving at Brest, France, Nov. 12, 1917. He served in the 42nd (Rainbow) division until March 1, 1918, at which time he was transferred to the engineers and was stationed at Havre, France, from March 1, 1918, to Jan. 1, 1919, as military landing officer for the post of Havre. On Jan. 1, 1919, he was ordered to Le Mans, France, as troop movement officer in the movement of American troops back to the United States. On March 26, 1919, he was ordered to Coblenz, Germany, to act as entraining officer for the army of occupation, which duty was completed on June 1, 1919. He was then given a vacation at which time he visited in England, Scotland, and Ireland. He also visited Napoleon's tomb in France. On June 30, 1919, he embarked for the United States—arriving in New York on July 13, 1919, after serving twenty-seven months with the 42nd (Rainbow) division—twenty-two of them being in France. He was discharged at Fort Dodge, Iowa, on Aug. 11, 1919. He again enlisted as captain in the 347th engineers Q. R. C., and is stationed in Kansas City, Missouri.

WILSON, CHARLES LONNEL, enlisted Dec. 13, 1917, at Wheeling, W. Va., in the aero department. He received his training at several training camps in Texas and was discharged on March 29, 1919.

WILSON, SERGEANT LAWRENCE E., entered service at Mannington, W. Va., Sept. 19, 1917, and sent to Camp Lee, Virginia, for training. He left Camp Lee on May 26, 1918—marching to a train and taken to Norfolk, Va., where he embarked on the transport, America, on May 26, 1918. Lawrence was slightly wounded the day before the armistice was signed. He was in the last drive of the Allies, from Sept. 22, 1918, until the end of the war—sometimes acting as 2nd lieutenant. He was in headquarters company 314th Field artillery. He was discharged at Camp Lee, Virginia, on June 6, 1919.

WILSON, LUTHER JACKSON, enlisted on Dec. 11, 1917, at Parkersburg, W. Va., in the navy as a wireless telegrapher. He was discharged on August 19, 1919.

In the Revolutionary war, records were hard to obtain—many serving in this war that will never be given credit, due to data pertaining to this war being destroyed.

In the Civil war we found many related families arrayed against each other. A complete record of the entrants in this war could not be obtained.

The World war entrants were limited to the immediate families of the Mittong reunion.

CHAPTER XVI

RECORDS OF THE MITTONG ASSOCIATION

The following excerpts are taken from the secretary's book and condensed in order to give a brief or concise account of how this association came into being and the manner in which it conducts its social and business affairs.

Acting upon the suggestion of Henry Harrison Mittong, the descendants of the late Jacob M. Mittong met at the home of John and Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug, near Burton, West Virginia, on Sept. 26, 1912, for an inter-family visit or social, family get-together. Members of families of the four living children of Jacob M. Mittong were present at this gathering.

The forenoon was spent in visiting among friends and relatives. At about the usual time of day, when ones appetite commences to absorb ones attentions and remind him that somewhere in his physical make-up there exists a vacuum which must of necessity be re-filled, we became delightfully aware of the fact—through the olfactory nerve in retecting the scent of sweet-smelling condiments coming from somewhere among the shade trees—that the ladies had prepared a table of luscious comestibles.

The command for an orderly attack was given.

The table was assailed from the front and rear and flanked on the sides by veterans in this line of warfare, and the natural result, of course, was that justice was meted out to each individual comprising this delicious adversary.

About three o'clock in the afternoon, or when the celebration of our dinner victory had somewhat subsided, we congregated en masse in order to offer suggestions and arrange, if favorable to all, to perpetuate the family spirit of this occasion by meeting together annually in family reunion.

A motion was offered by Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand, that: "This be known as, and called, the first reunion of the descendants of Jacob M. Mittong, and that we meet hereafter annually." This motion was unanimously endorsed by all of the members of the families present. This, my dear reader, is the nucleus around which has grown the fine spirit of the Mittong family reunions. May it ever grow in spirit and numbers, and may our family pride also grow with it!

Although there have been a few changes in time and places of meeting, and some of its most enthusiastic sponsors have passed to the Great Beyond, this reunion has increased in membership and enthusiasm, until now—1926—it is an established custom. Each member of these families and their friends anticipate the pleasure of a personal greeting to all of the other members on the morning of each gathering. The day seems only too short! And when evening comes, and each bids the other adieu! and Godspeed! it is with reluctance that they wend their ways homeward to await the coming of the next reunion.

The following were present at the first reunion: John and Mary Louise (nee Mittong) Bartrug; Joseph T. and Addie (nee Glover) Bartrug, and their two daughters—Gertrude and Genevieve; Myrtle (Mrs. Arthur) Bartrug and sons—Lonso, Murrel, and Wayne; Henry Harrison and Elizabeth (nee Brooke) Mittong, and daughters—Hazel and Helen; Christopher Columbus and Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson, their daughter—Mary—and sons—Frank, Henry, Jackson, and Lon-

nel; Nora Mittong; Albert M. and Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand, and daughter, Mae; Ella (nee Rowand) Wilson, and daughters—Marguerite, Elizabeth, and Josephene; James E. and Doris (nee Edwards) Wilson; William Bartrug, Edith White, Mrs. Sarah Linville; John W. and Martha Rowand; and Clara Leon (Nellie) Bartrug.

At this reunion there were: Four children of Jacob M. Mittong; Fourteen grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, seven related by marriage, and four visitors—a total of thirty-seven.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: H. H. Mittong, of Lumberport, W. Va.—president; C. O. Mittong, of Clarksburg, W. Va.—vice president; C. L. Wilson, of Alliance, Ohio—secretary; and A. M. Rowand, of Metz, W. Va.—treasurer. The following committees were appointed by the president: Resolutions—B. F. Wilson, Mae Rowand, and Nellie (nee Sutton) Mittong; Place of meeting—H. H. Mittong, Mary (nee Mittong) Bartrug, Mandilla (nee Mittong) Wilson, and Elizabeth (nee Mittong) Rowand.

The second reunion was at the home of Christopher Columbus and Mandilla Wilson, on Drake's run, three miles west of Mannington, Marion county, West Virginia, on Sept. 26, 1913. Forty-nine were present.

The third reunion was held at the home of Albert M. and Elizabeth Rowand, at Metz, Marion county, West Virginia, on Sept. 26, 1914. Fifty-eight were present. The following officers were elected at this time: President, H. H. Mittong; and secretary, Nora L. Mittong. During the previous year, Hazel (nee Mittong) Looman compiled a record of names, dates of birth, marriages and deaths of Jacob M. Mittong and each of his descendants down to the present time. It is the intention of this family to keep these records up-to-date, and if this information is given promptly to Hazel, this book will be valuable to future generations.

The fourth reunion was held at the home of H. H. and Elizabeth Mittong, near Lumberport, Harrison county, W. Va. C. L. Wilson was elected secretary at this time, because Nora Mittong was located where it would be inconvenient to attend all reunions.

The fifth reunion was held at a pleasure park, Rachel, W. Va. At this meeting H. H. Mittong was elected president for life. Our previous reunions had been comprised, with but few exceptions, of direct descendants of Jacob M. Mittong. There were several friends of the family present at this time.

The sixth reunion was held at the home of John and Mary Bartrug, near Burton, W. Va., on Aug. 26, 1917.

The seventh reunion was held at the home of Christopher Columbus and Mandilla Wilson, on Drake's run, on Aug. 22, 1918. At this time it was decided to include the following memorial in the records:

"Whereas: It has pleased our Heavenly Father and all wise Ruler of the universe to call from his earthly home, on April 8, 1918, to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler ever returns, our esteemed and beloved member—John Napoleon Bartrug—and,

"Whereas: We feel deeply grieved at the loss of our dear relative. We must need bow in humble submission to the will of Him who knoweth and doeth all things well. Though we be mortals and are unable at all times to understand His divine purpose, yet, we know that He will comfort and sustain us at all times. Now, therefore, be it resolved that:

"The Jacob M. Mittong association extend to the bereaved wife and children our deepest love and sympathy, and, be it further resolved that:

"In manifestation of our grief and sympathy, a copy of this memorial be written into our records."

Committee

B. F. Wilson, chairman
Mrs. Mae Thomas
Mrs. C. O. Mittong.

At the time of our seventh reunion we felt the absence of five of our regular members who were serving their country in the World war. The five boys were Luther Jackson Wilson, Sgt. Lawrence Early Wilson, Charles Lonnel Wilson, Sgt. Alfred Bartrug and Sgt. Hallie Bartrug. There were also three other members of another branch of this family serving in the war at this time. They were Capt. Robert Lincoln Reece, John P. Garrison, and Corp. Joseph Lillard Johnson. These three boys were grandsons of Henry Mittong who was Jacob's brother.

At this time a letter was read by H. H. Mittong which he had recently received from Luther J. Wilson. It was placed on the records and is as follows:

Port Arthur, Texas, Aug. 16, 1918.

"Dear Uncle and Aunt:

"It is almost impossible to write each of my relatives a personal letter—although I would be glad to do so if I had the time—and in order that all may hear from me, I am taking this opportunity of writing to each member of the reunion association through you.

"I regret very much that I am unable to be at home at this time and attend our reunion on August 18, 1918, and help eat the strawberry jam.

"The navy has been a wonderful experience to me. And one who has never had this experience cannot imagine what the navy accomplishes.

"We have not seen any German submarines yet, but have been pretty close to several at different times along the coast.

"The ship on which I am stationed is not owned by the Government but they furnish the wireless men. There are three of us (wireless men). The rest of the crew are from the merchant marine—men who have been in the service from fifteen to forty years. The majority of them are originally from Norway, and a few from England—but all are Americans now.

"Soon after you receive this letter, I shall have gone up for second class—since I have been recommended for it upon my arrival at Philadelphia. This will be about August 30th. I am spending all of my spare time getting ready for it, as it is very difficult and requires about three hours to answer all of the questions in writing."

Sincerely yours,

L. J. Wilson,
S. S. Gulfoil Co.,
Gulf Refining Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Following are the war service addresses of the other members of the family:

Sgt. L. E. Wilson

Hdq. Co. 314 Field Artillery,

A. E. F. France

Via New York;

Lonnel C. Wilson

136 Aero Squadron

Love Field

Dallas

Texas;

Sgt. Alfred Bartrug

312, Co. A Supply Train

Camp Pike

Little Rock

Ark.

The minutes of the seventh reunion were sent to each of the boys in the army and navy.

The eighth reunion was held at Traction park, near Monongah, Marion county, W. Va., on Aug. 21, 1919. We were all happy at this time, because the boys had all returned from war service and were present at this time. We were all delighted to hear them tell about their many experiences.

The ninth reunion was held at the home of Albert and Elizabeth Rowand, near Metz, W. Va., on August 19, 1920.

The tenth reunion was held at Beegum Grove on August 25, 1921. One hundred thirteen were present at this time. The association elected the author as historian and from then until now we have been working incessantly on material for this book.

At this time the following resolution was offered by the committee and accepted:

In Memorium

Mary Louise Bartrug died Sept. 18, 1920.

"It is, indeed, a most solemn duty which we must perform. The Grim Reaper has again called one of our beloved members and the passing of Mary Bartrug has cast gloom upon the entire membership. Words fail to express the sorrow that is ours in the loss of this loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend.

We mourn in silence—giving what meagre solace we command to the beloved ones who were so dear to her and to whom her life was dedicated.

Committee

B. F. Wilson

Mrs. C. O. Mittong

Mrs. Mae Thomas

At this meeting, a motion was made and approved to the effect that Beegum will be the permanent, annual meeting place of this association.

The eleventh reunion was held at Beegum Grove on August 24, 1922. This was the first reunion day to be marred by the inclemency of the weather.

The twelfth reunion was held at Beegum on the last Thursday in August, 1923. The association was called to order by the president, H. H. Mittong. After a short business session, the following program was rendered: Song America; Invocation by Mrs. Elizabeth Rowand; Address of welcome by L. J. Wilson; Recitation by Josephine Wilson; Address by R. B. Ash on the life of Jacob M. Mittong; Recitation by Mary Rose Ashcraft; and a piano solo by Robert Franklin Wilson.

After a delicious repast, most of the members engaged themselves for awhile in different games.

The thirteenth reunion was held at the regular meeting place on August 28, 1924.

Obituary notices of deaths during the past year were read by the committee on resolutions and included the following: A. M. Brooke, died Jan. 20, 1924; Sarah Jane Glover died March 15, 1924; Mandilla Wilson died August 6, 1924; and John Glover died, 1924.

The following is copied from the secretary's book—written by J. E. Wilson, secretary, vice C. L. Wilson:

Song, "America"; Invocation by R. B. Ash; Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic"; Address of welcome by R. B. Ash; Recitations by Roma Rowand and Mary Rose Ashcraft. At the conclusion of this program a committee was appointed by the president, consisting of all the ladies present. Their duty was to prepare and spread what later proved to be a very delicious repast. We are sure that if any one left the table hungry or otherwise underfed that it must have been due to ones own bashfulness or else to the failure of ones epidermis to expand sufficiently to allow the proper amount of delicacies to be stored away.

During and immediately after dinner hour is the visiting hour. At this time advantage is taken of the opportunity for each to meet and chat with the rest. After the visiting hour several games were arranged by C. O. Mittong. The kiddies had a great time playing their games. Horseshoe pitching was indulged in for about two hours by the men, and as usual, the champions laid 'em in close—Jim Wilson emerging victorious, while John Ashcraft was runner-up.

After the games, the president called the members together for a short business session. We were delighted with the rendition of a beautiful solo by Mrs. E. C. Rowand—accompanied on the piano by Benjamin Franklin Wilson.

Late in the evening the association adjourned and each reluctantly departed with the fine appreciation of having spent a most enjoyable day among friends and relatives and with a desire to be present at the same place in 1925.

J. E. Wilson, acting sec'y.

The following members have been present at each of the thirteen reunions: C. C. Wilson, Mary Wilson, B. F. Wilson, H. L. Wilson, Mrs. A. M. Rowand, and Mrs. Ella Wilson.

Those missing but one reunion are: A. M. Rowand, J. E. Wilson, and Mrs. Mae Thomas.

Those missing but two reunions are: H. H. Mittong, Marguerite Hawkins, Elizabeth Wilson, Josephine Wilson, and Edward Wilson.

Mrs. Mary Bartrug and Mrs. Mandilla Wilson were present at each reunion up until their deaths.

The fourteenth reunion was held at Beegum on Aug. 27, 1925. The association was called to order by the president at 11:30 o'clock, A. M. The invocation was offered by Rev. E. H. Summer.

The address of welcome was by the author.

A motion was made by B. F. Wilson and seconded by Mrs. A. M. Rowand to the effect that the date of succeeding reunions be held on the third Thursday in August of each year. This motion was unanimously supported by the reunion.

The entire afternoon was spent in games and visiting. In the early evening, the president called a short business session, after which the association adjourned sine die to meet on the third Thursday in August, 1926.

L. J. Wilson, acting sec'y.

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